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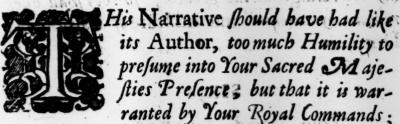
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SIR,



and that all the Actions of my Life are Dedicated to Your Service.

The Subject is indeed one of the most considerable, that hath happened upon the Stage of the World of late Ages; where Kings, were both Agressors and Desendants. And this may in some sort warrant its Dedication to that Monarch, who is proper Umpire of the Controversies of Christen-A 2 dome.

The Epistle Dedicatory.

dome. Besides, there was no Prince, nor scarce any State in Europe of note, that was not a Party in the quarrel. Nay, Your Majesties own Fleets, and Your Treasures were employed there, though not by Your Orders: And Your Majesties happy Restauration, had so much natural Instituence upon the transactions in the North, that it also restored those Crowns to that Peace they now enjoy.

If the English did not alwayes follow their true Interest in those parts, 'tie not to be wondered at, being they prostituted it so unnaturally at bome; which did continue, until the sense of their Faults and Errors, obliged them to re-assume it, by returning to their Duty and Obedience to Your Majesty.

All I will say for my Self is, that as I cannot tell whether my bumble Reverence for Your Maje-Ries Person, or my Loyalty and Allegiance for my Soveraign be the greater, so they shall ever remain by an equal intermixture of Passion and Duty, in

SIR,

Your Sacred MajEsTIBS,

most Obedient, and alwayes Loyal
Subject and Servant,

ROGER MANLEY.

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The Preface.

Ruth being the life and chief ingredient of History, hath been also my chief research in this Relation, which I was so exact in, that I cannot yet discover that I have been materially imposed upon.

I have endeavoured also to exempt my Narrative from both flattery and detraction; which was no hard matter for me to do, being I had been neither tempted by favours nor disobliged by injuries by either of the warring Princes, though I had the honour to know them both.

What I wrote by way of memorials whilst it was asting, upon the place in another language, though not published, sees light but now in ours; and it may be too soon, to discover the imperfections of its Authour. And yet I will not court the Readers favour being my errours are voluntary. For who is obliged to write? And how sew write well?

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HISTORY

The late Warres in DENMARK, The Two Northern Crowns.

The First Part.



Hough my defign at first was but to describe the Siege of coppenhagen and its accessorys, as wil appear by some passages in this narrative: Yet upon second thoughts, and to gratifie the curious, if this jejune Relation find any fuch; I have judged it proper to add a fummary of

those transactions which were previous to it, deducing the whole War from its original to that last Treaty which put a period to so

many and so eminent calamities.

The ancient emulation and jealousie betwixt the two Crowns of Sweden and Denmark, the refult of their neighbourhood, and frequent broyles, have been much heightned by the Swedifb acquisitions in Germany; For having joyned Pomerania and Bremen to their former Dominions; they have in a manner enclosed and beleagured Denmark, which rendered them so uneasie to the Danes, that these feemed to defire nothing more than an opportunity, not only to recover the Dutchy of Bremen, and what they had loft by the Treaties of Bremstro and Christianople, to wit, Halland, fempterland. Gothland, and the Oefel, but also to enlarge their own limits, and fecure themselves for the future from the further introachments of their growing neighbours. And now a fo wished for occasion did fairly present it felf; for Charles Gustave King of Sweden being deeply ingaged in Poland, had carried with him the flower of the Swedish Souldiery to serve in that expedition; so that whilst he was busie in the conquest of other Countries, he did in some fore expose his own. Nor did the Danes omit so favourable a juncture, but mustering their grievances into a Manifest (too long to insert) which they published, least they should be thought to be rather invited by the favour of the occasion, than necessitated by any provocations or injuries.

They had beat up their Drums about the beginning of the year

1657, and their preparations for war were carried on with unufual pomp and hopes of fuccess: Their proceeding was likewise formal, for they denounced war by a Herauld at Arms some months before they entred into the Lifts, which proved ruinous to them; for they thereby gave the enemy time, not only to fortifie against the ensuing tempest, but King Charles leifure enough to come with his Army out of Poland to shew them the fault they had committed in letting slip. that which is most precious and most irrecoverable. The English and French fet all their Engines on work, their intercession and their threats to stave off the Danes, but to no purpose: For the occasion was too fair, and their preparations too forward to defift; fo that their Ministers were roundly answered, that the King of Denmark had long expected fatisfaction from the Crown of Sweden, but being the Resident of the said Crown was retired without giving any, his Majesty was obliged to endeavour his own satisfaction and security by the way of Arms.

The truth is, the party was not ill concerted, for the Branden-burger was already drawn off from the Swedish alliance, and upon assurance given him from the Polish Court, that the Soveraignry of the Ducal Prosin should be conferred upon him (which he also now enjoys) he confederated himself with the Pole and Dane against Sweden. The Dutch were also highly engaged, for that wary Republick reflecting upon King Charles his progress in Prussia and Populand; and fore-seeing what obstructions his continued conquests in these parts might bring to their Eastern Traffick, resolved to oppose him; which they not only did by sending a fleet and 1300 Foot to secure Dansick, but also by this powerful diversion of the Danes, to which they contributed vast summs of monys, especially those of Amsterdam upon the securities of the Customs in the Sound and

Norway,

The King of the Romans, at present Emperour, had also an Army hovering about the Swedish frontiers in Prussia and Poland, which put King Charles to a stand, not knowing which to turn himself, yet resolved to fall with his whole power upon the first that broke out, fancying that he was strong enough to deal with either of them apart (and it was impossible they should joyn at the distance they were at) whereas he should be too weak both for the one and the other if he divided his Forces. He was at Thorn in Prussia in expectation of the motion of these new Adversaries, where he at length heard the news of the Danes invading of him in the Dutchy of Bremen and the Frontiers of Sweden. And this seems a second error, for either they ought to have begun sooner whilst the King was engaged with so many enemies in Poland, or they ought to have stayed longer, and expected until the Imperialifts had made the first attempt, fo that they then should have had nothing to combat with but Cities and Fortrefles. The King of sweden was fo transported with the first notice of this breach, that amongst other expressions of rage and fcorn he was heard to fay: Frederick, Frederick, I will flick fo close

to thee, that I will fink with thee. It may be reasonably imagined that for all this appearing violence, he was fecretly glad of this repture with the Danes; for it did not only in some fort justifie his invading of Poland, the Truce being not yet expired, by their example, but alfo gave him an opportunity to quit that Country with honor, which he would otherwise have been forced to leave of himself. He had indeed wholly maftered that great Kingdom by his valour and the divisions of the Nobility there, many of which he had gained by his own and the Vice-Chancelors Radizenski's practifes and intelligence; having forced all to swear fealty to him, though they all left him afterwards with the fame levity, but with more justice, being they returned to the obedience and fervice of their own Prince again; fo that he was weary of that War, as being engaged in too vast a Territory; and fo far from his Confines. He had obliged Ragotski Prince of Tranfilvania to be of his party, who had also entred Poland with a very great Army; but he suffered him to be lost by exposing him: for though they had joyned forces together, yet he drew his off, being he could not draw the enemy to battle and marched towards Pruffia, whilst the other was designed to return home, which for want of conduct he could not compais: having loft his whole Army, his hopes in Poland (being no less than a Crown) and afterwards his whole Country by that unfortunate expedition.

The King of Sweden being therefore resolved to quit the Polish War, left his Brother Prince Adolph, in Prussia, for the defence of that Province, which he mainly defired to conserve: In so much that he had made offer of the Crown of Poland (being Ragotski failed of it) to the King of Hungary himself, provided he might keep Prusia; Count Steinbock to observe the Imperialifis and Poles; his Brother in law Count Magnus de la Guarde in Leifland against Muscovy and Lithuania; and marched himself (laying all in ashes behind him, to fecure his Rear from the pursuit of the Polish Cavalry) with about 6000 Horse towards Pomerania. He had in vain sollicited the Duke of Brandenburgh to lend him some Troops, though he had offered him Thorn, Elbing, and Marienburg as cautions, provided he might leave Swedish Officers in them. Being therefore obliged to stand upon his own bottom, he came to Stetin, whence he wrote to all the Electors, especially him of Mente as most addicted to Frances complaining of the Danish invading of him in the Empire, which was against the tenor of the instrument of Peace; and belought his counsel and affistance. Whilst the King of Sweden hastens thus by Land towards Denmark, the King of Denmark being advertised, (though falfly) that he took his journey by water, put to Sea in perfon with his whole Fleet, and coafting the Countrey of Pomeranta, came to Danfick, where he understood the truth of King Charls his motion, which obliged him after a fruitless survey of the Baltick Sea, to return in great hast to Coppenhagen. Whilst the Swedes were on their way towards Holftein, part of the Danish forces had taken Bremerford, a good place in the Dutchy of Bremen, and two other

Forts, the Bellemer Sconce lying upon the Elbe, and the Leher Sconce commanding the Wefer. They follicited also the City of Bremen by an Ambassador to quit the Swedes party, but not with that success they had hoped; for it seemed yet too early for them to declare: Although they were affured in answer to their address to the States. Ang. 13. of being affisted in case they were attempted, conformable to the Treaty betwixt them; which regarded the Swedes not the Danes. And here some take the freedom to blame the Danish Conduct; for had they carried the War into Sweden it felf, diffurnished of her principal Detendants; Her King absent in a remote Countrey, the very terror of an invading Army, would have wrought that confusion and consternation in the Country as might probably have given the Dane opportunity to have driven on the War as far as Stockholm. But they on the contrary attack the Swedish Dominions in Germany, Allarming thereby their friends as well as their enemies: For the Princes of the nether Saxon circle, declare the invading of the Dutchy of Bremen, to be a breach of the peace of the Empire, and a violation of the Instrument of Peace; for the observation whereof, they stood reciprocally engaged.

By this time King Charles was advanced as far as Hamburgh with his haraffed and ill-accoursed Troops, without opposition, where he mounted, and cloathed, and armed them by the favour of that Ciry, jealous of its own Lords greatness; and the affistance of good supplies of moneys, which he received there upon the French accompt. It feemed firange what was become of the Danish Army, but that, however fixteen thousand strong: In stead of fighting the enemy in Pomerania or Mecklenburg, or any where before they reach'd Hambourg, still retired before them, but whether affrighted with the reputation of these glorious Ruffians, or betrayed by their own diffentions, I will not determine; though it be certain that King Charles had his Ulefeld in Denmark as well as his Radizeuski in Poland. The Swedes being thus refreshed and lusty, grew also very numerous, by the accession of such whom the hopes and liberty of pillage daily added to their party. They followed the retiring Danes as far as Fredericks-ode, which they also after some time took by assault, under the conduct of Marshal Wrangel.

Fredericks-ode is seated upon the lesser Belt, a new Town endowed with many priviledges to invite Inhabitants, and fortissed on the land side, though the Works were not sully sinished after the modern sashion; the Sea was esteemed a sufficient guard on that side it watered, being strengthened with Pallisadoes from the adjoyning Bulwarks as far as deep water. But the Swedes under savour of the darkness, and some salse Allarms in other places, broke down this wooden Fence, and rushing in on that part up to the Saddle skirts in water, wheeled about the Bastion and entred the Town rendring themselves Masters of the same, without any considerable resistance.

This victory equalled a gained battle, for they made above 2000 prifo-

prisoners (besides the sain which amounted to as many more) well nigh 200 Officers, 33 Colours and above fourfcore pieces of Cannon, with other store of Ammunition and plunder. This success rendred them also absolute Masters of Holftein, except Krempen and Gluckstadt, and Renshourg ; gave them the plunder and contribution of all Julland, and the communication betwixt the North and East Seas by the leffer Belt. It was thought strange that so strong a place as Fredericks - ode, and so well provided with Garrison and provisions, should be taken by a number scarce equal to them within. Andrew Bilde Marshal of the Kingdom, was Governour of this important place: but whether he loft it by his fate, or by his folly; by his cowardife, or by his treason is still disputeable. However it was, it cost him his life, he being mortally wounded in the attack, which did not yet suffice to clear his memory from obloquie and a suspicion of disloyalty. The Swedes themselves contributed much, though accidently to this rumour, for they fent his body richly vested, without ransom over into Funen, which encreased the ill reports of nim; though it might as well have been thought an argument of their generous humanity, as his perfidie, as they will hereafter evince in the person of Vice Admiral De Witt, flain in the Sound. and returned with no less honour and pomp. King Frederick hearing of this great loss quits schonen, where he had in person twice beaten the enemy by Helmflat, and flies into Funen to give orders for the conservation of that Island, the second of Denmark: Which done, he leaves his Bastard Brother Guldenlew there with 3000. men, and returns to Coppenhagen, to ftruggle with the divided factions of his Nobles, which did not end but in theirs and their Coune tries Ruine.

But leaving the Danes to their diffentions, and the Swedes posted in their new conquests; let us step back a little to take a short view and prospect of the civil transactions contemporary with the

former.

England had too great an interest in the Baltick, which may not improperly be called the Mediterranean of the North, to fit fill without making reflection upon the great commotions in those parts: And besides the concerns of a free and undisturbed Commerce; England being at that time in an open War with Spain, had much rather that the Swedish Arms had been at liberty to give a check to the other Austrian Branch in Germany, than to have been diverted by a Warre with Denmark: Upon this account two Gentlemen are made choice of to endeavour a Reconciliation betwixt the two Kings. Mr. Meadone being fent to the Court of Denmark, and Mr. Jeplen to that of Sweden. The former arrived in Denmark in the beginning of September 1657. much about the time that the Swede entred Juland. He was received tar above his Character, being that of Envoy Extraordinary, to the regret of other forreign Ministers: But the conjuncture of time and affairs obliged the Danes by all possible waies and means to ingratiate

gratiate themselves with the English: So that the Envoyes Proposition for a Mediation, after he had declared the ruinous effects of

Sep. 15. a War, was accepted off. The Dane declaring that he was ready 1657. to enter upon a Treaty of a fure and honourable peace under the Mediation of England; and that to foon as the King of Sweden should testifie a suitable concurrence on his part. This Declaration was transmitted to the Swede with all possible diligence, and drew from him a reply dated at Wismar, in October following; in which

offer many expostulations how injuriously he had been dealt with, 1657. intermixt with some language, which the Dane referred as opprobious: He declares likewise his affent to enter upon a Treaty under the Mediation of France and England, and that the preliminaries as to place of treating, number of Commissioners, sate conducts, or. should be adjousted according to the transactions betwint the two Crowns in the year 1644, upon the confines of the two Kingdoms.

This reply produced another Declaration from the Dane. That Nov. 5. he consents also to the transactions in 44. only as to the place of the future Treaty conceives Labeck or some other in that neighbourhood to be most commodious: That the Treaty should commence under the Mediation of England, and also of the States General; and to foon as France should offer him their Mediation, he would accept of that likewife: But that the defigned Peace be not restrained to the two Crowns only, but that the King of Poland and the Elector of Brandenburg be comprehended in the same, It was easie to fee how this comprehension of the Pole, insisted on by the Dane, would trouble the scene of affairs which obliged the English Mediatour to remonstrate it to be a novel Proposal; and how that it would render the fo much defired peace redious and difficult, if not impossible, for that the differences betwixt Denmark and Sweden were but a fudden paroxisme, if taken in time, easily cured but those betwixt Sweden and Poland were chronique and inveterate, not lo foon eradicated.

However the second Declaration of the King of Denmark of the Dec. 7. third of Nevember was sent to the King of Smeden, and begat another from him, wherein he declares himself unsatisfied with the King of Denmarks nominating Laberk for the place of Treaty, and receding thereby from the so antiently practised Custome betwixt the two Crowns. He further takes notice of the conquisite delays and difficulties made by the Dane, by intermixing the controversies of others which have no reference to the Danish War. Yet that he is willing to grant his safe conducts to such Confederates of the Danes as shall be desirous to be present at a treaty in any place of the Confines. And for the States general, after they shall have ratified the Treaty made at Elbing and thereby renewed their former friendship with Smeden; in case they offer to him their Mediation, he would so declare himself, that they should have no occasion of complaint.

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To this the King of Denmark rejoyned another answer, insisting upon the immediate admission of the States General to the Mediation without the previous qualification of first ratifying the Elbing Treaty; a point which had already been depending a whole twelvemonth, and was like to depend longer: adheres to the place formerly nominated for both sides to meet at, and presses that the Pole and Brandenburger his Consederates should not only have the bare liberty of being present at the Treaty, but that the respective Treaties to be had with them should proceed by the same steps and means as that with Denmark.

As to the place of the Treaty the intrigue was this: the Dane would have the meeting at Lubes or any other neutral place in Germany, where the Polish and Brandenburg Ministers might be present as parties with the Dane in the same War. On the other fide; the King of Sweden would have it upon the Frontiers betwirt the two Kingdoms on the other fide the Baltick, whither he knew the Pole and Brandenburger could not easily come; thereby to disunite the Pole and Dane by the jealousie of a separate Treaty. And perhaps at the same time treating openly with the Dane, and under-hand with the Pole, and they two striving to prevent each other in the peace; where he law the most advantagious conditions prosfered him there clap up a peace and profecute the War against the other. To prevent this the Mediatours endeavoured to draw from the King of Sweden an intimation of what terms and conditions he would rest satisfied within the ensuing Treaty; that so when the Commissioners came to meet, they might have little more to do, than to fign and feal; and the business be effected as soon as reported; with infinuations of conditions of this Nature. A general Amnifty for what was past, Restitution of places taken each upon other: A solemn Reversal under good Garanties of the peace in 44. And a way opened for redressing the Gravamina, particularly those relating to the trade of the Baltick, and for preventing defraudations of the Duties in the Sound, which were the pretended cause of the War. And to dispose the King of Denmark to dis-joyn his interests from Poland, it was represented to him what a broken Reed Poland had proved to him, sometimes making proffer to pass their Forces over the oder, and then presently retreating again, upon pretence of joyning the Austrian Foot; not so much as entring Pomerania all this while to give the Swedes the least divertion, That the Conditions of the Alliance were mutual and reciprocal, which nor being performed on the Polish part, his Majesty of Denmark was no longer obliged. That Confederacies were for mutual fafety, and not intended to oblige Princes to perish either singly or in company. That he had the fresh Example of his Heroick Father, who though he had entred into an Alliance with the Protestant Princes of Germany, yet the necessity of his affairs, to recover what was lost,

constrained him to make a peace with the Emperour, in the year

1629. exclusive to his Allies.

But neither did these reasons prevail with the King of Denmark to depart from his alliance with the Pole, till a more pressing necessity afterwards extorted from him a separate treaty. Nor was the King of Sweden willing to anticipate the treaty by Declaring himself before hand as to the Conditions, nor to content himself in the Conditions with less than an honourable compensation, for the pretended injury the Dane had done him: But that since the Dane had made him dance so long a march from Poland to Juland, he was

resolved at least to make him pay the Fidlers.

Thus the War of the Cabinet was managed by paper missives and memorials, but that of the field was carried on at another rates for whilft the active Swedes omitted nothing for the profecuting of their Conquests, they gave out they would besiege the remaining Fortresses of Holsteyn, and seemed to hearken to such overtures of peace as were made to them the better to amuse the Danes, whilft they fecretly prepared their Bridges, Waggons, Sleads, Hurdles, and the like necessaries to pass over the Ice into the Isles. They were secure on the Helfteyn fide, no enemy appearing to diffurb them; for the Elector of Brandenburg though reconciled to the King of Poland, had not yet openly broke with Sweden, and the Imperialifts were bufied at the fieges of Cracow and Thorn. Only the Poles not unmindful of the favour the Danes had done them, by drawing the burthen of the War (which had well-nigh overwhelmed their Country) upon themselves, out of interest, or gratitude, or both, sent Charneski with 13000. Horse to their affistance. These troops past the oder in order to their march towards Helstein; but hearing of the taking of Fredericks-ode advanced no farther, but having pillaged and ravaged the Country, returned back into their own, having effected nothing but the ruine of a great number of Villages and poor people. As the Swedes were trighted with this cavalcade of the Poles, fo the Danes had also been with the arming of the circle of the nether Saxons for the recovery of Bremerford, as a part of the Empire, pretending to keep the peace of the same (as is already mentioned) and the removal of all hostility out of its bounds. But the troops these raised amounting to 4000. dispersed without a blow, occasioned as well by their own Divisions, as the open diffenting of the Duke of Luxenburg, a Prince of that circle, and Brother in Law to the King of Denmark, so that they, as well as the Polifb Auxiliaries, only appeared and Meteor-like threatned and vanished. But the Swedes having got all things in a readiness to attempt Funen, the heavens also seemed to contribute to their Designs; for the cold was so intense, and violent beyond the memory of man, that not only leffer Rivers and Fountains froze up, but the Sea it felf became paflable, being covered with an unusual, but solid bridge of Ice. King Charles was too prudent to let flip any opportunities which

made way to his greatness. Not a night passed wherein he did not fend his Spies into the Island, and his Scouts to discover the firmness of the congealed Waters, which being at length reported to be strong enough, fave only a small but long rent of scarce five foot broad, he gave orders to march; commanding great quantity of planks, posts, hurds and the like materials to make a bridge over the faid breach, to be first brought thither and laid. Two troops of Waldechs Regiment fell in, the Ice breaking, and several other fingle troopers were drowned, which forced the Army to rush on with more vigour, being too far ingaged to retire, and the danger behind them being greater than that in their front. The Danes made some though no great opposition, for being bravely charged, they were eafily broke, routed and flain, scarce two hundred of them escaping: the King pursued them that fled so close, that he overtook Guldenlewe who was fick in his Coach not, far from odensea, in which town the chief of the Island, he also surprised five Danish Senators, and several other fugitives, so that he became absolute Master of this wealthy Province and the whole power of the Enemy in it, which confifted of well nigh 5000. Souldiers and armed Boores, fixty pieces of Cannon and great Magazines of all forts of military provisions.

Tis not unworthy the remembring, that this adventrous march over the Frozen Seas, was the resolve of the King himself at a Councel of War against the sense of his chief Officers, who censured it of too much temerity. And fince it prospered well, 'tis due to the honour of that Kings Name, which had it otherwise succeed-

ed would have aspersed his memory.

Part I.

The news of the loffe of Funen being arrived at Coppenhagen carried so much the more of terrour and apprehension with it, because besides the loss of so important an Isle, the like Bridge, which had let the Swede over the little Belt into Funen, might ferve to pass him over the great Belt into Zeland. Hereupon the King of Denmark fends for Mr. Meadowe defiring him to fet a Treaty on foot with all possible expedition, which he did, by writing to the King of Sme. Feb. 3. den, the purport whereof was to this effect: That the King of Denmark had authorised the Lord Foackim Gersdorff, and Christian Scheel, both Senatours of his Kingdom his Plenepotentiaries and Commiffioners, to meet, treat, and conclude with the like Commissioners of his, at such time and place as his Majesty should please to appoint: which he also defired at the instance and intervention of England, and that his Majesty would be further pleased to deliver out safe conducts in due form, both for him the Mediatour, and for the Danish Commissioners, and in the mean time suspend all future Hostilities. This being dispatched with extraordinary diligence, the Messenger returned with his Answer Dated at New- Feb. 5. burg in Funen, where he left the King; whereof the substance is, That he thanked him for his care and dexterity in promoting the concerns of a peace, which the Dane had hitherto fo obstinately op-C 2 poled

posed, How he was willing to enter presently upon a Treaty under the respective Mediatours of France and England, and being it was lest to him to appoint the place, he gave the King of Denmark the choice, either of the lsle of Spro, or of Runkoping in Langland for the Commissioners of both sides to meet in, within eight daies. That together with the present Letter he had sent safe conducts as defired: And that the business required the greater haste, for smuch as he could promise no security to himself in a suspension of Arms.

This was a clear answer and concession as to the desired treaty but he would not be complemented out of his advantages by a cessation of Arms; knowing well that nothing more facilitates a conquest than a pannick terror incussed by the suddenness of an invasion, and that the only way to profit upon it, is to give no respite for recollecting those Spirits which the first impressions of tear had dissipated. The Swedish King marches incessantly. His nearest way to Zeland had been over the great Belt, from Newbourg to Corsur, about 16. English miles, But he takes that of Langland, so to Laland, then to Falster, which though much the further, yet was the safer; because the traject from Island to Island was no where so broad as that in the great Belt; And he would secure all behind him.

They were not idle this while at Coppenhagen. The Swedish safe conducts being delivered, the Danish Commissioners together with the English Mediatour journeyed with what diligence they could towards Rydroping. They had travelled little more than fixty miles English, when not far from Wardenburg or Warburg, the last town upon Zeland from Coppenhagen they met with the Swedish scouts by whom they were advertised that their King was newly entred upon Zeland and not far behind. And foon after they met the King himself in a Sledge at the head of 200 Finnish Horse. This incredible diligence was altogether surprizing to the Danish Commisfioners. All alighting out of their Sledges (the manner of travelling in the Northern Countrys) to falute him; His Majesty did the same, and willing them to pass on to the neighbouring town, and that he would speedily be with them: For that he was going only to take view of a ground where he might most conveniently draw his Army into battalia. To Warburg they went, and there the Treaty first began, where they also met the Chevalier Terlon Ambaffadour of France, who came in company with the Swedish King; The Commissioners on the part of Sweden were Count Ulefelt a discontented Dane, who had a long time refuged himself in the Court of Sweden, and Steno Bielke a Senatour of Sweden.

The King of sweden staid no longer at Warburg than was necessary for drawing over his Army, and then ranging them in Battalia in a large extended Front in view of the Danes to make them appear more numerous at last marched off in the direct way to Coppenhagen. Twas uncomfortable treating whilst the King was marching, and

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the Mediatours and Commissioners not being willing to be left behind, adjourned the Treaty, and breaking up thence overtook the King at Reuk four leagues from Coppenhagen, who the next morning drew up in Battalia again, and then drew off as before in an orderly march towards Coppenhagen. The number of the swedish Army was about 7000. Horse and Foot and some sew Field-pieces, with which he took up his quarters within two leagues of the City, of which he would often sportingly say, she was a fair Bride and deserved dancing for, and not without reason neither, for had he won Coppenhagen as he woo'd her, she had brought him for her Dower all Denmark and Norway, and then without the tedious enumeration of his particular principalities, he might for his imperial style and title have wrote himself, King of the North:

The Mediatours and Commissioners went to a near adjoyning Village called Tostrup there to draw up the abstract or minutes of the Treaty, which when mutually agreed on, all hostility was immediately to cease. In the mean time it will not be impertinent to take

a short view of the posture and condition of Coppenhagen.

The Fortifications of the City were much decay'd, partly through security, not having seen an Enemy in an hundred years; partly through Parlimony to avoid an expence supposed needless: Besides, that great trading Towns are not over willing to be fettered with Walls and Bastions: And perhaps the Danish Nobility were as to this case less willing than they of Coppenhagen, for fear the strength of the City should make the Burgers heady. The walls being of Earth only, had been much crumbled down with the froft and time, and were scaleable without Ladders; neither could they use the Spade at that time the earth being so petrified with the cold. There were no Cannon upon the Walls when the Commissioners parted from Coppenhagen, but by this time good store were drawn from the Ships and mounted upon Ship carriage. The truth is, the City was full of men, the Burgers and fuch as fled out of the Country, besides five or six hundred Horse and some Foot which were drawn from Schenen, but they wanted provisions and forrage to hold out a long fiege: But nothing difmay'd the Dane more, than that none of their Confederates was in a capacity to help them: For the Pole and Brandenburger were too remote, and the Ice which was a Bridge to the Sweed, was a Bar to the Hollander: Add to this the temper of the people, some murmuring against their Governours, others crying out they were betrayed, and all affrighted and irrefolved: Only this testimony is justly due to the person of the King, that he comported himfelf with a magnanimous constancy amidst all adventures. Some think if the King of sweden had been truely informed of the condition of the Town, he would have attempted the taking of it: But though he knew all was not well with the Dane, he did not know the worft; and it may be he thought the hazard too great to attack to great a City with fo little an Army. Perhaps he would compt Fortune no further, but efteemed it a prudent choice, rather to clase with present and certain advantages, than to catch at things future and contingent, especially such as depend upon the issues of War, than which no humane thing

is more subject to viciffitude.

The Minutes of the Treaty were in few daies concluded at Tofrap, upon which a ceffation of Arms followed, and from thence
the Mediatours and Commissioners removed to Rosschild there to
digest them more at leisure into the body of a Treaty, which being

together with the Seals and Sealed by the Mediatours and Commissioners on both sides; and afterwards ratisfied by both Kings,
together with the Seals and Subscriptions of the Senatours of both
Kingdoms. The Sum of the Articles were:

1. That there be an esernal Peace, Amity, and Amnistie betwixt both

Crowns, Kingdoms, &c.

2. That both Kings renounce and forfake all former contracts and alliances made with any other Princes, Kings, Common wealths, &c. to the prejudice or hurt of either party, nor make none such for the future.

3. That both parties shall endeavour to their power, to exclude all forreign hostile men of War out of the Sound and Baltick Sea.

4. That all Swedish ships what soever, shall in the Sound and Belt be free and exempted from all Customs, Inquisition, Visitation, Arrest or other Molestation what soever, &c. producing only a right sea-pass in the King of Denmarks Custom-houses of Elzineur and Newburg.

5. That the King of Denmark should in consideration of the restitution of the places taken and possessed by the Swedes, as also for a recompence of the damages caused by this War, give and grant to His Majesty of Sweden and His Heirs for ever, the Provinces of Ha-

land, Belking, Schonen, and Bornholm. The Caftles, Towns and Territories of Bahuys, and Druntheim in Norway, and that

10 Secular and Ecclesiastick jurisdiction which the King of Denmark
11 hash over some places in the Isle of Reugen, all places whatsoever
taken from the Swedes during this War. As also three Swedish
ships taken in the Sound, with their lading, upon the first breaking out of these differences.

12. In consideration hereof, the King of Sweden shall restore to the King and Kingdom of Denmark, all these places he now possesses jure belli; as Sealand, Laland, &c. as soon as the 2000. Horse which the King of Denmark promised to the King of Sweden, were delivered; renounce all presences to the Earldom of Delmen-

13 horst and Ditmarsen, and disclaim all rights to those Noblemens goods in Holstein; notwithstanding their dependance upon the Dutchy of Bremen. The following 6. Articles relate to the evacuation of places.

19. That all Prisoners be released without Ransom.

20. That all inhabitants of any the delivered Countrys, may remove their habitations whither they will.

21. That

21. That all former alliances between the two Crowns continue of force.

22. SThat the King of Denmark shall give equitable satisfaction to 23. Sthe Duke of Holstein Gottorp, and forget all differences and unkindnesses which this War may have produced between them.

34. That Count Ulefeld be placed in his effates and honours.

25. That such Princes, &c. that defire to be included in this Peace, shall seek it with both Kings.

26. That the Danish manifeft be recalled.

27. And that all as above be inviolably offerved on both sides, &c.

Thus this pacification was concluded and Signed, which divested King Frederick of the best Provinces of his Kingdom, which would have cost much blood, and many years to have conquered; of great part of his Army, to be employed ere long against himself; and of his reputation, the best jewel of Princes; which he will yet recover when he is out of the apprentiship of his Nobles, and reduced to that extremity, that nothing but his own magnanimity can support him.

But on the other fide, If the King of Denmark were a great lofer by what he quitted, it may be well faid he was a great laver if we consider what he kept. For he who had lost all in the Field could not reasonably expect to regain it upon the Carpet: And though some of his principal branches were lopt off, which through time may grow again, yet the root was preferved, for had that been lost all had gone without resourse: So that I esteem it only as an expression of kindness towards his King and Country, that of the Danish Ryxhoffmaster, a person of eminent merit, who immediately before he was to Sign the Treaty whilpered into the ear of one near him , those words of the Roman Emperour , Utinam nescirem Literas. And upon this accompt and in gratitude for his good offices since the King was pleased to admit Mr. Meadowe the English Envoy into Knightthe Order of Denmark. This Treaty thus concluded and ratified, ed by his the next thing which followed was the folemn Enterview betwixt the two Kings at Fredericksburg a sumptuous Palace of the King of Denmark about four Leagues from Coppenhagen: Thither both of here. them went, and which is remarkable without any previous stipulation, concerning guards or number of followers usually practifed upon such occasions; but with a frank and Northern simplicity, either not mistrusting or not willing to mistrust each other.

King Frederick met his new guest who came from Rotskild some two miles from his house: Both Kings being at a competent distance alighted out of their Coaches at the same time, and approaching on foot saluted each other by joyning their right hands with all the respect and obliging demonstrations of kindness immaginable; and now as if their late enmity had been entirely forgot, they both entred the same Coach, being the Danish, first the Swede, then the Dane, accompanied by the English Mediatour and the Duke of

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Holstein Sunderburg, and so rode to Fredericksburg, where they were received and entertained with as much magnificence as the place and season could afford. At Table the Queen of Denmark sate at the boards end, the King of sweden on the fide at her right hand, as being the guest, and next below him on the same side the King of Denmark. Were that Roman to describe this entertainment, who affirmed that the same wildom was requisite for ordering a feast. as for disciplining an Army, he would be more large in the description of it than I shall be. Let it suffice to say that the method was exact, the provision sumptuous, and the solemnity rare, to see two Kings at one Table, who had so little before been in Arms one against the other. And it was not unpleasant that those Trumpets and Kettle-Drums which so lately denounced Death should now be made use of, as loudly to proclaim Healths. The Solemnity continued from Thursday to Saturday, both Kings for two nights lodging under the same Roof: At parting they exchanged Horses, and other Presents, and those Officers of the Danish Court who were particularly appointed to attend the Swedish King, were nobly regaled by him. On Saturday he took his leave and went to Elzineur the King of Denmark accompanying him part of the way; from thence he past the Sound through the noise and smoak of the Cannon of the two Castles of Cronenburg and Elzenburg, to take possession of his fresh conquests in Schonen; where he was entertained by his new Subjects, with more pomp than passion, more state than affection; the fense of their wonted obedience being yet too green to be so soon forgot. He did not stay long there but went to Gottenburg to meet his Queen, as also to deliberate with his Senate and rejoyce with his friends over his late successes.

And thus the Scene of Affairs being changed in Denmark, a Serene calm didensue, but not last long: However, the Swedes did pretend to treat a new and stricter Alliance betwirt the two

Crowns.

The Swedish Army was to continue in Denmark till the first of May, where they lived with the usual rapines and disorders of infulting Victors; which must yet continue longer than the defigned time for their removal. The Danes thus low were forced to a quick execution of the Treating, as fearing to displease their new friends; who yet complained of delays and evafory and non-performance. Most of the two thousand Horse were run away, which they pretended was by collusion, and the Governour of Bremervord made difficulty to deliver up that place, which he will yet part with too But that which vext the Sweeds most, was that the Danes refused to enter into a Treaty Offensive and Defensive with them. The main defign of the swedes herein was the stopping of the sound, which Pan Beuning the Dutch Embassadour then in Denmark well observing, presented a memorial to the King, desiring him, that whereas by the third Article of the Treaty of Rosschild, both Crowns should endeavour to binder all Hostile Fleets Part I.

from entring into the Baltick Sea, that the faid Article should not be understood of the ships of the Lords the States General, being It directly opposed the league formerly made betwixt them and the Danish crown. The laid Embassadour had upon the fabricking of this Article, likewife declared against it; but Denmark was then forced to yield to demands much more prejudicial, and of greater importance to it felf, not being in a condition to mind the interests of others, where their own did so eminently suffer. The King of Sweden had fent two Commissioners to Coppenhagen to urge this mutual confederation, but they could not bring the Danes to it, which produced new and more intricate difficulties, for the Swedes complained openly of the Danes delays, and the Danes of the Swedes not withdrawing their forces out of their Countries, as they had promifed. One pretext feemed to beget another, and one obstacle was no sooner removed but new ones appeared, especially on the Swedes side, who at length declared, they could not withdraw their Army out of Denmark until they had entire fatisfaction. Their chief pretences were the compleating of the 2000 horse, they having received no more than 936 most Danes, whereas they should have been all Germans, the possession of the little Isle of Ween as belonging to Schonen, 400000 ryxdollers in confideration of the loss they sustained by Henry Carloff (who had carried one of their Guinea ships, laden with a quantity of Gold and Elephants teeth into Glackfrat, after the making of the peace) and other no less considerable points, relating to the late treaty. But most of these difficulties were cleared or remitted to the mediation of the English and French Ministers, and now all feemed to tend to a perfect understanding. By this times the King and Queen of Sweden were come into Holftein, from whence they went to Wismar, a convenient Port to transport the Queen back to Stockholm at pleasure. The King returned to Oldesto, the general rendezvous of his troops, where he gave audience to several Embassadors; the neighbouring States, and Towns, and Princes, being jealous of his great preparations and defignes, which jealonfie was augmented by the daily boaftings of his Officers, who feemed to threaten all, whilest the truth lay closlier concealed. Denmark alone feemed to have no reason to fear, having not only delivered Bremer worde, but consented almost to every thing that was required of them to content the Swedes, and get them out of their Country; well-nigh ruined with their extorsion and in-quarterings. But they will not be gone fo, and now smile at the Danish credulity, whilest they prepare to possess the whole, and render their King one of the greatest Princes of Europe. The pretexts for this second War, were playfible enough, as appears by the Swedift Manifest, and the Kings own speeches in the ensuing narration. But the Danes accused Charls his boundless ambition, and cried out plainly, and not without probability, that he had already devoured the dominion of the East sea in his thoughts; which was not to be compassed but by the preceding conquest of Denmark. They further affirmed, that he had therefore pecu

been perswaded at Gostenburg, to prosecute the enlargement of the Swedsh Empire by new acquisitions. The consist would be easie, and as the first was, bloodless. He should but go and overcome, and by the accession of his future victories, open a passage to his farther greatness. Add to these, the tried difficulties of the Polish war, the quiet but armed condition of Germany, the peaceful inclinations of France at that time, but above all, a warlike Prince (and as he pretended provoked and injured) environed with a victorious Army, and it will not seem strange that the sury of the threatning tempest fell upon Denmark. But whatever the causes were, the war was easier begun than ended, whilest the Danes serve for a memorable example to postericy, how valid despair is, and that there is nothing proof against an enforced necessity.

The Swedes were obliged, as is already observed, by the Treaty of Rotschkild, to withdraw all their forces out of all the Provinces of Denmark, by the first of May; which they did not only not do, for Helstein, Jutland, Funen, and the Dukedom of Stesmick, were still in their power, but took also new councils, to invade and conquer the rest of that divided Kingdom. The King then being resolved to renew the war, prepared all that was judged necessary for so great an expedition, and that with no less secrecy than prudence, and truly it was no wonder that the Danes were surprised (being by several Embassies, letters and messages lull'd into so ruinous a security) when as the Ministers of divers Princes who then sollowed the Court, were so far from penetrating into its designes, that they had not the least suspicion of a second invasion upon Denmark.

Aug. 5. The fleet and land forces met at Kiel in Holftein, and now all things being in a readiness, the Army and provision for a longer journey than was intended, were imbarcked. The King being under sail, with eleven men of war, and near fixty great and lesser Vessels, whilest some thought him gone towards Prussia, others towards Pomeranta, and others towards other places, but none towards Denmark; secured as it was thought by the late Peace, he steered his

Aug. 8. course towards Zealand. Being arrived at Corsieur, a sea-town on the West side of the Island, he landed his Army, greater in reputation than numbers (for it did not exceed 1200 horse and 4000 foot) without any opposition or resistance. These sew guards that were on the coasts, fled at first sight of the fleet, before they knew whether they were enemies or not: and the Towns men diffembleing what they durst not seem to sear, were forced to receive these new guests as friends, whilest they and the country, as the Army passed along, were made believe, as the Swedes gave it out, that they intended no hossility to any, but were come to assist the King of Denmark against the designs of some of his rebellious Nobles. King Charls his chief care upon his landing, was to keep his soldiers from plundering, and by quick sending out of parties of horse to suppress the Danish troops which were quartered up and down the

Island; or at least to hinder their retreat into Coppenhagen. Count Totte Lieutenant-General of the horse, led the Van; but the King himself (I know not by what farality) did not stir till the day following: and however his main hopes of victory confifted in the quickness of his motion, he marched but flowly; fearing peradventure ambushes in an unknown Country, or least he might be obliged, in the absence of his Naval forces, to bear the brunt of the war alone. The noise therefore of this invasion sled to Coppenhagen before him, and filled the Courr and City with the terrour of fo imminent a danger. All was full of fear and confusion, and the people then at divine lervice (for it was upon the Sabbath day in the morning) firuck with the apprehensions of their approaching ruine. which they look'd upon as infallible, if the enemies made that haft they might, and affaulted the City, then destitute of order or forces to withstand them. The flight of the country-people, who came flocking into the town, magnifying the number and progress of the enemy according as their tears suggested, redoubled the terrour; in fo much, that all dreading their destruction as unavoidable, bethought how best to secure themselves. Some hid their best moveables where they best could, whilest others searched about, whither they might best slye and hide themselves. Many preferring their personal security to that of their Country, cried out for peace, and a recourse to the conquerours clemency: but the wisest, and they were but few, perswaded a vigorous resistance, and exhort the rest rather to commit their common safety to God, and a just defence, than to the arbitration of a cruel and infulting enemy. Neither were the disorders and apprehensions at Court inferiour to these, until the King himself, having rejected the advice of those! who would have perswaded him to preserve himself for better times, by a timely retreat into Norway, or Holland, had declared, with a magnanimity truly royal; That he would live and dye in his Nest, and not survive the fate and glory of his Country. The following letter, though not figned, fell as was informed into his hands, the which as being of an extraordinary nature, merits to be inferted; it was as followeth.

Sir, Notwithstanding my being engaged in the service of your mortal Enemy. I am a very affectionate well-wisher to your Majesty. I am very confident that the King of Sweden designs to take Zeland from you, and consequently your crown, I humbly desire your Majesty to save your Royal person, the Queen, and the Princes your children, by a quick retreat into Notway, or elsewhere, until this tempest be over, and some happier opportunity present it self, for the recovery of your kingdom. Save your self sir, that you may not fall into his bands, preserve your self for better times, and believe the counsel of him who is your Majesties most humble servant.

I will leave the disquisition of the author, the contriver, and the intrigue of this letter to the curious, and only add, that if he had followed the advice of most part of his Councel, he had C 2 hearkned

hearkened to that of his kind enemy, and loft his kingdom into the bargain. But he being more generously resolved, did by his example raife the drooping spirits of them about him, which quickly appeared in their countenances, and expressions. Shame and emulation, and a defire of revenge, had mastered those weaker passions their fear had begot in them before; fo that at present there was none amongst them, that did not seem full of courage and indignation, against the unjust proceedings of the enemy. The Court being thus appealed, and confirmed; the King commanded the trumpet to found to horse, and quick messengers to be dispatched into the Country, to allarm those horse that were quartered in the neighboring Villages, and order their sudden coming to Town, which they did with so much diligence, that they prevented the enemies speed and precaution. In the mean time, the Magistrates and chief amongst the Citizens were fent for, and enquiry made, what was to be expected from them in so imminent a danger? The King having aggravated the ambition and perfidie of the Enemy, added, that they were not now to fight for the recovery of what they had loft, but left they should lose (which he abhor'd to think on) what they had yet remaining, and become the prey and fcorn of their infulting foes. The Lord Gerftorf great Master of the kingdom, proceeded to tell them, That there was nothing more glorious for generous spirits, than bravely to maintain that duty, and that fidelity, which they owed by nature and oath, to their King and Country. They were now reduced to that extremity, that they must defend themselves or perish; there being no mean betwixt the Enemies ambition, and their flavery. He did therefore exhort them in his Majesties name, to unity and concord amongst themselves, to fight like men, to arm all that could bear arms, and to refuse no labour, nor nothing that might be required from them for their common defence. The Enemy was not fo formidable as some men believed, nor their condition fo despicable, but that they might yet hope for an issue suitable to the equity and innocency of their cause, if they did not betray it by their own diffentions and infidelity. There were some who had apprehended, that the Citizens fears might furmount their loyalty; which they having understood, protested by the mouth of their chief Burgomaster Fohn Nansen, that they would expose their lives and what ever was dear to them, for the defence of their King and Country; and by an example worthy to be transferred to posterity cried out, They would dye bis Majesties subjects.

Monsieur Van Benning Pensionair of Amsterdam, then Embassadour from the States General of the United Low-Countries, at Court, did by his presence and authority (which the King of Sweden complained of afterwards, as discrepant from the function of an Embassadour) extreamly raise the minds of all, and exhorting them to a brave defence, assured them of speedy succors and relief out of the Low-Countries, in case they held out but till it was possible for a seet to come to their assistance. He visited the guards in

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person, and throwing moneys by handful amongstthe soldiers, did much quicken them by his liberality and promises. But that he might haften those ayds he had so serionsly assured them off, and left his passage might be cut off by the Swedish fleet already in fight, he immediately went on board, and fet fail for Holland in a man of war, which lay ready in the haven for his transport. Owen foel a Danish Gentleman, was fent by the King along with him, but deputed to the Elector of Brandenburg, to complain of this unjust invasion of the Swedes, and to invite him also to his ayd and succour. These Embassadors toucht upon the Coasts of Norway in their passage, and landing at Flecker, acquainted the Governour by word of mouth, and the Kings Officers farther off by Letters, of the renewing of the wars in Denmark, admonishing them to stand upon their guards, as well against the surprises, as the open violence of the Swedes, now their declared enemies. Whilest Fan Benning hastens towards Holland, strugling against the winds, the rumour of the Swedish invafion flew thither before him, and having gained belief with them that were most concerned, the States voted a fleet and 2000 foot, for the present relief of Coppenhagen. Van Benning's arrival quickned these preparations, for having demonstrated the danger Denmark was in, and the Kings earnest defires for the hastening of the succours, added, that it was impossible for the City to hold out much above fix weeks.

Hereupon all imaginable speed and care was taken, to forward the designed supplies, neither could the Swedish Ministers then in Holland, with all their skill (however they magnified their Masters affection and amity towards the States General) divert them from their taken resolution. Nay, the King himself having dismissed above seventy of their Merchants ships, which he had surprised in the Sound, wrote to them the 21 of Angust out of his Camp, in which Aug. Letters, after an enumeration of the reasons, which he said, obliged 21. him to continue the war, and mention of the ancient confederations betwixt the Crown of Sweden, and the United Low-Countries, he did folemnly profess, that he defired nothing more than the liberty of Commerce, and an unviolable friendship with the free Belgick Provinces, which he was for his part resolved to persist in, and teflifie by all arguments of candor and reality, if they on their parts would but do the same, as it became true confederates and friends. But all this was to no purpose; for the States sensible what danger might accrew to their Eastern traffick (nay many of them judged it quite ruined if Denmark were lost (and the very ship-fraught alone was estimated at three hundred and fixty thousand pound sterling a year) if the two Northern Crowns were united under one Prince, resolved to hinder it by ballancing their forces, and aiding still the weaker; fo that they did not only not change their resolutions, but commanded the voted supplies to be made ready with all imaginable speed; and in the mean time, sent several expresses to the King of Denmark, to affure him of the sudden comming of their

fleet and forces to his affishance. All this while the Danes were bufie in fortifying their Town, they repair their old works, raife new ones where they were defective, cleanse and deepen their moats, and strengthen their bulworks and curtains, with cannons, and mortar-pieces, and great granadoes(lying here and there upon the parapets to be rowled down into the moat upon occasion, a very useful and destructive invention) and several other offensive and defenfive arms. No age, no fex, no quality or order of men were exempt from labour, but all were imployed in working or watching, the publike danger they were all in, requiring their whole endeavous for their common fafety. The Kings example and prefence encouraged all men; for he seldom quitted the walls, spending the day among ft his foldiers and workmen, and that part of the night which his repose required, in his pavillion upon the ramparts, so that there was no body of so abject a spirit, that did not willingly wo travails and dangers, where his Prince was his spectator and companion. Neither did the King confine his care to Coppenhagen only: Cronenbarg being looked upon as the most considerable fortress of the Kingdom, as it really is, was judged worthy his best thoughts. He therefore sent one Benfield thither, and joyning one Bruno and Bilde in Commission with him, seriously recommended the conservation of that important place, to their valour and fidelity.

Necessity and Despair, those two powerful movers, obliged the Danes to these unusual preparations for war; but the distrust they had of their own affairs, made them wish for peace, for their City was not well fortisted, the succours they were to expect were far off, their Ganson did not exceed twelve hundred effective soldiers, and the Citizens, as it is usual in such encounters, however numerous, were but sew in sorce and resolution. For these reasons,

Aug. 8. Magnus Hoeg, and Christian Skiel, two Senators of the Kingdom, were dispatched in Embassis to the King of Sweden, the same day he arrived, with instructions to divert him if it were possible from his present expedition, or delay him from his more active prosecution of it. The day following they met him at Ringslead, but being it was late, they were not admitted to audience before next morning, and that then not without much difficulty. Being introduced into the Kings presence, they told him in a long speech (whereof this is the sum) that the wars betwixt the two Kings, had not only been

the sum; that the wars betwixt the two Kings, had not only been composed and ended by the peace of Rosschild, but what ever had been acted in the same forgot and forgiven, by a solemn act of oblivion on both sides: But being some doubts and difficulties were risen, concerning the true sense of the Articles of the said Pacification, there had been another Treaty held at Coppenhagen, for explication of the first, wherein all the aforesaid difficulties had been removed, and every thing else so agreed upon, that there seemed nothing more to be desired. These things being thus, the Kingtheir Master could not choose but wonder, especially being he had on his part performed every thing he had promised, to see himself

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and his dominions, and that without any denunciation of war at all; invaded in a hostile manner. Lastly, having extolled their Princes defire for Peace, they added, they had been fent to his Majefty for that purpose, and to remove any obstacles or mis-understandings that might occasion a new breach. They therefore defired Commissioners might be appointed to treat with them, not doubting but to be able to demonstrate abundantly, that their King was not only ly a stranger to all thoughts of war, but extremely defitous of peace and concord, which he would also (if it might be) always maintain and cherish. The King but little moved with what he heard with patience, having repeated what had happened in the former wars. and former times; added, that he had been more then sufficiently provoked to continue this, by the continual injuries he and his Crown had received from Denmark, which did not cease to endeayour his, and his fubjects raine, by their daily practifes against them, This he faid, fufficiently appeared out of their intercepted letters, by their disturbing of the liberty of Commerce in the Soundiby their various obstructing & delaying of the execution of the treaty of Rafel. kild (whereby they had hindred the profecution of his other more weighty defigns) and by their refuting to deliver Carloff (who had robbed him in Guinea) into his harids. He farther complained, of their ill using of his father in law the Duke of Holstein, of their refusing to enter into a nearer confederation with sweden, and their denying to lend him ten thips at his request. For these and other causes he had real folved, being also advised to it by his Councel, to continue the war (for so he termed it, urging that a war could not be faid to be ended, before the execution of the Treaty that concluded it was completed v and leave the iffue of it to God, and his good forene, The Danish Ministers procesting their innocency in all things, replied, that it was not they, being they had performed what ever they were obliged to by the late Treaty, who were the cause of these delays fo much complained of but the Swedes? who had not made good their promises. They defired those letters to much spoke of might be produced, being they knew nothing of them, and urged: that the business of the Guiney controverse, was concluded with his Embiladour Coyel before he had left Coppenhagen, As for the Duke of Holftein, he had obtained by the Swediff interpolition, all he could reasonably defire, and as for themselves, their Kingdom was fo exhausted, that it was impossible for them either to furnish the defired ships, or to engage themselves in a more active confederation. They hoped therefore, that his Majesty would not refuse an equitable freary, befeeching him (as they had done before) to appoint Commissioners to treat with them, whereby the retraining differences if there were any, might be removed, and the flames of a new war, which could not prove but ruinous to both fides, be ex inguished; before they broke out to further violence, The King! made no great return to thele passionate expressions of the Embas. fadours, though mingled with tears, but demanded them, wheel

ther they for their particular did defire his protection? which they refusing it was told them they had their last answer. The Embaffadours feeing the King inexorable, took leave of him and returned to their lodgings, where they were followed by Marshal oxenflern, and the Count of slippenbach, by order from the King; who asked them whether they had any thing more to propose, befides what they had faid to his Majesty? from whom they were sent to them, to know their farther defires. The Danes having repeated in substance, what they had delivered to the King, were answered by Slippenhach in his Majesties sense; adding moreover, that the Danes had by their delays, occasioned not only the increase of the Pole, Muscovite, and Brandenburg's powers, but the precipitate election of the Roman Emperor, as also the confederations of those Princes against Sweden. It was well known how precious a thing time was, not to be recalled by the Gods themselves; and being Denmarks fall seemed now inevitable, and at hand, they should choose the best means to save themselves. The King of Sweden was Master of the field, and would suddenly be of their fortresses and towns too; they should therefore have recourse to their soveraign remedy. What could it fignifie to subjects how their Prince was called t or of what use was the found of a few syllables, it was therefore equal to them, whether Charles or Frederick were their King. There was one God who was the dispoter of Empires, and it feemed Dapmark's fatal hour was now drawing near. He would notwithstanding, pray to the King of Kings, that so noble a City as Coppenhagen was, might not be destroyed, and so many thousands of persons involved in it's ruines. The Swedes, when they had conquered and taken possession of the whole Kingdom, would abundantly manifest the justice of their proceedings to all men. The Embaffadors being dismissed with this severe message, were upon the point to depart, when it was told them again, that if they were follicitous about the event of this present expedition, they should make such propositions to the Swediff Embassadours, then residing in Coppenhagen, as might be conformable to the present state of their affairs, and the condition they were then in. The Embaffadours being returned to the City, and having acquainted their King with what had paffed in their negotiation, applied themselvs to the Swedish Embaffador Monf. Bielke, then in restraint, demanding him, whether he had any instructions to treat about peace? which he denying, they resolved, as they wrote in their letters to the French Embassadour then in the swediff Camp, to commit their cause and its decision to God alone. The said swedish Embassadour, was in the mean time in no little danger through the peoples fury, who believing that he, under the colour of friendship had betrayed them into this war, however he folemnly protested to be altogether a stranger to his Mafters present proceedings, and not to have had the least knowledge of this invasion. Which is more then probable, being Coyes his Colleague, who was returned to his Mafter some days before, had

left papers of consequence, and a good sum of moneys behind him, which fell into the Danes hands. But neither these excuses, nor his standing upon his guard in his lodgings, whither all the Swedes then in Town were fled for Sanctuary, could have faved him, if the King had not upon his request taken him into his protection, and secured him in Rosenburg, a house of pleasure in the Kings garden, where he remained under custody (notwithstanding the Swedes objecting of the breach of the law of Nations by his detention) until he was afterward delivered thence by the intercession of the Mediators of England & Holland, especially the last. All hopes of Peace being now laid aside, the Danes prepare for war with so much the more vigor. They burn the suburbs, which they had hitherto spared, & omitted nothing they thought requifite for their defence. By this time, the swedes troops were advanced within fight of the Town, and feeing the fuburbs on fire, could not choose but wonder, that they who but a while fince, armed & in a warlike posture, had not refused peace upon such mean conditions, should now unarmed, and destitute of any real force to defend themselves, not despair of their safety. King Charles observing the enemies countenance, made a stand till all his army was come up, and then seised upon the two Forts of Warten and Ladegard, which joyned by continual works and trenches together, extending also on both sides to the sea, environed the whole suburbs: and now his Navy, confisting of 28 men of War were in fight, and commanded to anchor before the Town, so that the City was environed by sea and land, and shut up from all entercourse from without. But before I begin to describe the particulars of this famous fiege, I have thought it not impertinent to fay fomething of the original, increase, and present state of this City, the Metropolitan of Denmark, and one of the beautifullest of the whole North.

Coppenhagen the royal feat of the Danish Kings; called by the inhabitants Kiebenhaven, that is to fay, the Merchants-baven, is feated upon the East side of the Island of Zeland, under the \$6 degr. of Northern Latitude. This Town was in its beginnings very mean, a few fishermens Cottages; but in succession of time grew to that greatness, by reason of the excellency of the haven, that it is at this present, most justly ranked amongst the most noble Cities of the North. Many of its Kings, especially Christian the fourth, the memory of whose vertues is still cherished by the inhabitants, adorned this their residence with many notable priviledges and publick buildings. This Christian, having laid the foundation of a new City in the Isle of Amack, joyned it to the old by a bridge, and called it by the name of Christians haven. He built also a goodly Magazine house, and strengthened the City on the Island-fide with walls and bulworks, but these fortifications neglected, and well-nigh fallen in the long peace they had enjoyed, were now repaired. The Moats were cleanled and deepned, and new works being added to the old where they were defective, the Land-side was enclosed

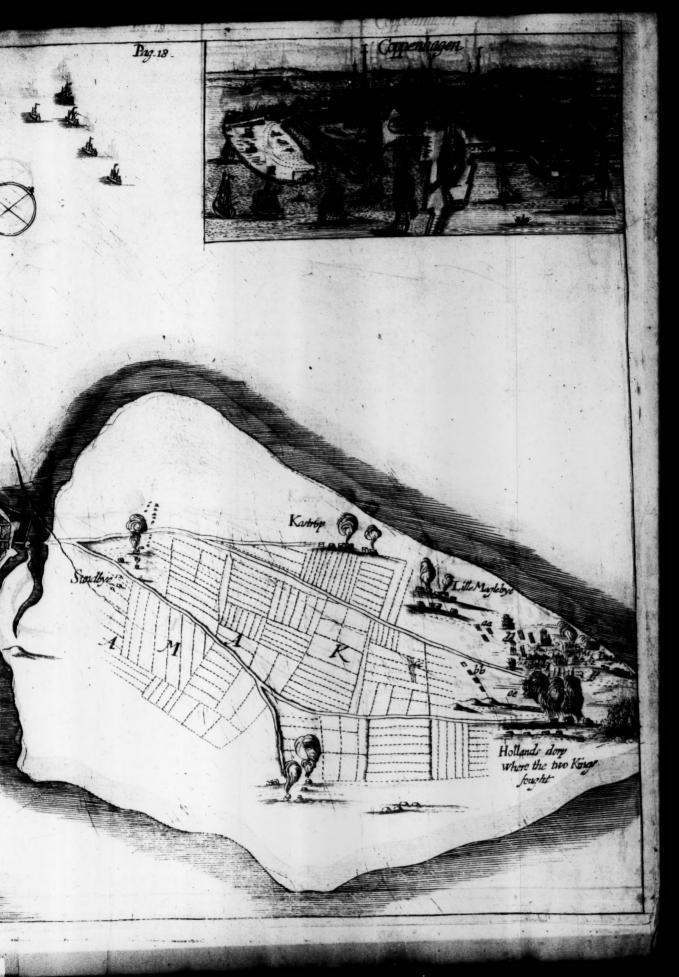
with ten whole, and two half bulworks, the rest of the circumference, lying betwire the Cittadel and the Western part of the Town, is environed with the fea, which extending it felf Southward, divides the Kings Palace, a fabrick of ancient firecture, from the Island of Amack by a narrow inlet, making the most commodious and capacious haven, as also the most safe against all winds of the whole Balick fea Coppenhagen hath as well as other great towns, felt the various viciffitudes of tortune. The Lubickers having pillaged it twice, consumed it once with fire. Farimarms Prince of Rugen, the Swedes, and the Hanfe Towns, ravaged it by turns, though thefe laft, in the year 1417 upon another attempt, were beaten off with much los. Neither hath this City been only oppressed by strangers, it hath laboured also under the mileries of civil diffensions, for taking part with Christian the second against Frederick, it was taken by Frederick, and in the year 1536, after a years fiege, and the calamity of famine and war, forced to furrender it felf to Christian the third. After that it enjoyed the sweets of peace for a long series of years, until Charles Gustave King of Sweden made war upon it, who had also subdued it, if the Duich, the Brandenburgers, the Imperialifts, the Poles, the Muscowises, and alme it whole Europe had not hastened to its succour, as concerned in its conservation, and rescued it out of the hands of that victorious Prince. But of these in

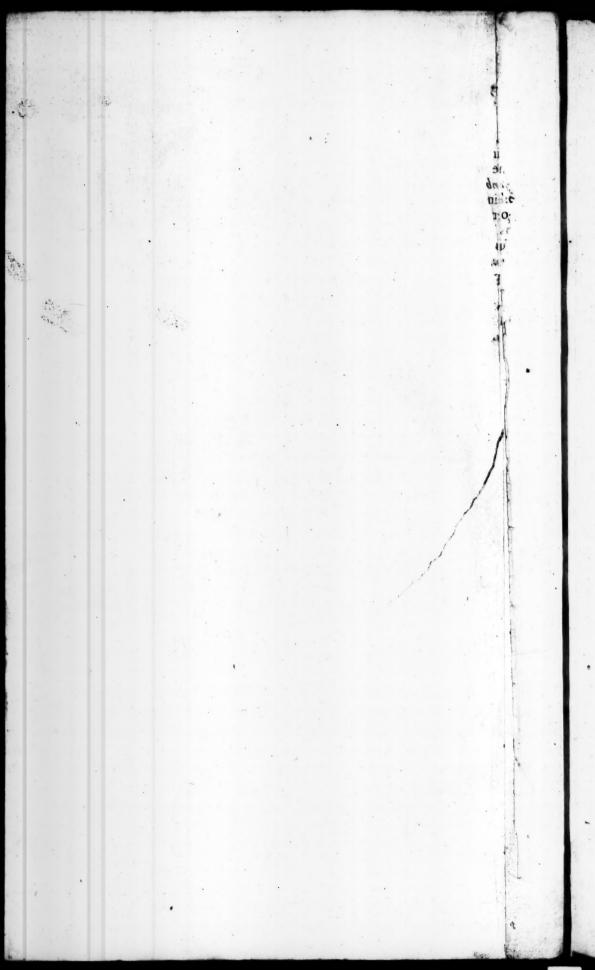
King Charles his fea and land forces being, as we have already mentioned, met before the Town, seised upon the Castles of Wartow, and Ladegard, as also the other obt-works, without resistances for the Citizens sollicitous for the main, and not sufficing for all had contracted their forces within their walls. He omitted the suddain assaulting of the City, having been certainly enformed of the enemies desperation and multitude, resolved to perish rather than change master. Being therefore over-born by the advice of his chief Officers, he was forced to prolong the siege; but less the should leave any place behind him out of his power, he divided his Army, and sent Marshal Wrangel with part of it, to besiege the strong Castle of Cronenburg, which commands the Sound; not absurdly sancying by taking of it, to deter forreign forces from coming to relieve Coppenhagen, or at least, to be the better able to kinder and oppose them if they should attempt it.

Whilest both parties were thus strugling in Denmark, the wars broke out in other places with no less violence; for Charles had before he had lest Holstein, given and sent secret instructions to his Commanders and Governours, that they should assault and oppress the Danes now his enemies, by sea and land, wherever they could meet with them. Hereupon many eminent men, some Governours of Provinces and places, and amongst others Monsieur Godde the High-Admiral of the Kingdom, were intercepted here and there, whilest they dreamt of nothing less than a new war. Renfburg, Crempen, and other sortresses of Holstein were attempted,

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but not surprised, escaping for the most part, the force and practifes of the enemy, by the vigilance of their Governours. Only the King of Denmark's Regiment of guards, which was enquartered in Marshes of Holftein was oppressed, and Duke of Lu-Jurg, the Queens brother, was taken as he failed to Labeck, but g known to be a Prince of the Empire, he was dismissed, and mitted to continue his journey. Many thips, as well men of War Merchant-vessels were intercepted, and many other losses were I stained and suffered, by the secure Danes. But to return to Copphagen, where we lett the Danes busie in putting themselves into a ofture of defence, and the swedes in taking up their quarters before the several avenues of the Town. The flower of their Infany lay before the Western Port, the North gate was but loosely blocked up, and at a diffance, but the Eastern was guarded as neighbouring upon Wartow, with several Companies of Foot. The Horse divided into eight bodies or great squadrons, (the right Wing extending towards the Hollands village, the left behind Warton, and the main body at Utersteve) took up the whole Campania, fo that the Town and all the avenues, except the passage into Amack, were wholly that up. The Swedes having thus disposed of their quarters, began their approaches towards the West Port, being fecured on the right hand by the fea, & on the left by St. George's lake. The Danes observing the advance of the enemy, armed two great boats or lighters, which they call Prames, with men and cannon, and bringing them by fea near the right fide of their trenches, did extreamly gall them with their great shot: Neither were the Pioneers able to avoid their strokes, for what way soever the works were directed, these moving Castles did still follow and flanck them with their un-erring cannonades. The Swedes to prevent or revenge this mischief, raised a batterie against these Prames, but could not with all their skill oblige them to quit their stations, for lying flat upon the water, the enemies shot Aew over or fell short of them, whilest they lined cannon-proof on the fide next the Fort, shot as out of a fecure Fortreis. These boats were of great use to the beleaguered, and could not be obliged to remove their stations during the whole fiege. The Danes who were still mending, and patching, and perfecting their Fortifications, strengthened the North and East gates with Ravelins; the Citadel on the fide next the fea, with a half Moon; the rest of the walls where they seemed lowest and weakest with other works, and the whole Parapet of the Ramparts quite round, as also the entire Moat of the Town, with stakes and pallisadoes; whereby they secured themselves as well against the furprises, as affaults of the enemy. But King Frederick thinking no fortifications equal to the affection of his subjects, resolved to oblige them more strictly to himself, by new and unhoped for concessions; for judging wifely, that they who have most to lose, have most reason to detend themselves, he granted them, amongst others, thefe following Priviledges. I That Coppenbagen should be a free Ciry.

2 That it should be endowed with Priviledges necessary for the encrease of Traffick. 3 That it should be one of the States of the Kingdom, and enjoy a vote in all those deliberations which concerned the publick good of the Kingdom. A That the Citizens should have power to purchase any Lands and Lordships whate foever, and enjoy and possels them, with the same rights that it Nobles did. 5 That they should not be burthened with any imp fitions the Noble did not bear, and not that but by publick confert. 6 That they should be tree from all contributions or enquarterings whattoever in times of peace, but should in time of war bear the publike burthens equal with the other fa es. 7 And laftly, that all the Citizens children, whether Ecclefiaftick or Civil, should enjoy the freedom of being admitted to Honors and publick Offices, equally with Noblemens children provided they rendred themfelves fit and capable for them. The swedes having advanced their trenches towards the Western Port, winding and turning as the manner is, to cover themselves from the enemies shot, it engthened them with a Redoubt, the better to fecure their Watchmen: but the Danes rushing out of their receptacles with two troops of Horse and bout aco foot, most of them being Sea-men, armed with brown Bills and morning Stars, fell upon them with fuch haft and vi lence, that they did not only beat them out of their faid approaches and Redoubt, but having flain or taken all they met with, returned in triumph into the Town, with the loss only of one Captain, and three common foldiers. The befieged raifed with this little fuccels, began to hope for better fortune, and look upon themselves as not wholly lost, nor altogether unequal to their ene-And this made them reject the French Embassadors letters, brought the same day into the Town, inviting them to an accommodation with the Swedes, and that they should propose conditions fur ble to their present exigencies, and the desperate estate they The day following, the Swedes ran two approaches more tow rds the Gate, but fortified their brinks with croffed pallifadoes or twine pikes, against the sudden fallies of the besieged. They could not advance their trenches with that eafe they at first imagined, by reason of the moistness of the earth in some places, which they did yet overcome by dreyning the water, and faflening the loote earth with bowes and branches. There remained fill tome unburnt houses, by favour whereof, they (hiding themsclves in their ruines) endeavoured by their frequent shooting, to beat the foldiers and labourers out of their works, which they were building before the Gate, which they yet could not do, being themfelves very much annoyed out of the Tower behind the faid Gate, by the enemies muskatoons. To remedy this, they raifed a battery of five guns against the faid Tower, which King Frederick observing, commanded the Tower to be rased and thrown down, left its ruines and shivered pieces, might do more harm than the enemies bullets. The Moat on that fide of the town, was not fo well

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furnished with water as was defired, which obliged the Danes to convey a quantity of it thither out of the Sea by Engines, and Conduits, raifing it first on high by pumps and mills, and then leading it by pipes into the faid Moar. They forced fuch Swedes as they had prisoners to labour in these works, which was revenged by the befiegers, who on the other fide compelled the Danes to work in their trenches: The miserable of both parties, being necessitated to endeavour the ruine of what they defired to conferve most, only with this difference, that the Swedes although forced to work were yer fecure, whilest the Danes were not only constrained to labour, but that also in great danger of their lives, by their friends continual shooting out of the town. The Swedes plaid hotly upon the Port and the tower, though to no great purpole; by reason of the firmness of the one, being well lined within, and the rumes of the other, it being already thrown down. It is remarkable, that the statue of Christian the fourth, which was over the gate, was not injured at all, neither now, nor during the whole flege, for all the enemies inceffant shooting; which was looked upon as a good Omen by the befreged. But King Frederick himself did but narrowly escape Aug. fo, for whileft he steed upon the battery at the West gate, a ran- 15. dom bullet, out of one of the broken houses next the walls, shot one of his train close to him. The same day the King put out a Proclamation, wherein, after exaggerating the injustice of the swedish arms, he invites all honest Germans to abandon their service, promifing every horfeman 50 crowns, and every tootman ten, but tew or none liftened to it, most foldiers following rather the success than the justice of arms. The Swedes did not only attack the town from without, but endeavoured also to incommode it within, which they did in a great measure, by breaking and cuttling the pipes which conveyed fresh water into it; but this evil (the greatest that can happen in befreged places) was remedied by the continual rain and wetness of the season, so that the Citizens were abundantly refreshed with this celestial moisture, which they received and conferved in Cifterns, and other receptacles for their use. The King had alfo commanded feveral pits to be digg'd in feveral places of the town, which was done with to good fuccefs, that feveral fountains and veins of fresh water were discovered, within four or five foot of the By this time the Swedes were by their fuperficies of the earth. windings and turnings, advanced within musket shot of the Moat, which as it straitned the besieged, so it put them upon thoughts of obstructing these dangerous approaches. They therefore resolved upon a fecond fally, as the only means to hinder the enemies progress, which they were highly encouraged to by their former fuccess, and the apprehension of their present danger. horse commanded by Guldenlew, and seven hundred foot, confisting of Students, Sea men, Artificers, and some few Soldiers, were ordered for this exploit, which they performed with fo much quickness and courage, that they were upon the enemy before ---

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Banner, who, commanded in the approaches, could put himself into a posture to resist them. The suddenness of the action facilitated the victory, and made it rather an execution than a combat, and yet the Swedes made what refistance was possible : But being surprised and in so unequal a place (for it is an error to think to maintain trenches against a resolved attack) they were forced to flye. A company of Norway boores did wonders with their morning stars (being clubs armed with great nails at their stump end) upon the Swedes that were below them in their trenches; and all did so well, that the enemy was abtolutely routed, flain or taken; and all their trenches, approaches, batteries, redoubts, co. mastered, slighted, and broken down. There remained yet 150 Sweder in a Sconce upon the right hand, who feeing the flaughter which was made of their men, and tearing the same misfortune, tamely surrendred themselves and their Fort, to Lieutenant General Schack Governour of the City, who had threatned them with prefent death, if they made the least refistance. These and some more prisoners together, with five pieces of cannon, with the German Emperours arms upon them, which were upon the nearest battery, were brought into the town in triumph. The other great Guns which had been planted against the Prames, were dismounted and nailed, and thrown into the ditch of the old works. In a word the victory was entire, and for all the enemies haft, who came flocking out of their Camp to the relief of their approaches (though too late) secure; For Guldenlew and Schack were no less diligent in bringing their men off in safety, than they had been dexterous in the management of their fally: fo that the Swedes had only the regret of feeing their men flain, their approaches ruined, and so signal a loss to pass unrevenged. They lost in this encounter about five hundred men. Those who were taken prisoners being most Germans and Poles, took pay in King Fredericks service, a thing usual amongst those mercenaries, who warring only for a prefent subfistance, will easilier change Master, than endure the penury and miseries of a nasty prison. The Danes did not lose above thirty of theirs in this fally, besides as many wounded, some whereof were destroyed by the blowing up of the enemies gunpowder, which taking fire by the neglect of a Danish toldier, the sparkles of whose match had faln into it, all that provision which the Swedes had there for battering of the town, vanished in an instant. It is believed, that if the Danes had vigoroufly pursued their advantage, and had broken the Ladegard bridg which they attempted, but too late, they had not only hindered the Swedes horse from approaching the town in any reasonable time, for they must have gone far about, but have taken all the enemies cannon. But they did not fally out with fuch vast hopes, and many things do occur in such encounters, that cannot be seen, and consequently not provided for. The Danes however satisfied with the success of the day, found the night no less favourable. They had indeed employed their utmost endeavours, since the first instant

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of the enemies invafion, in rigging of their fleet, they had also mann'd and made ready (though with much difficulty) fix or feven good men of war, but when they should use them, they did not know where or how to employ them, for the Swedes were too ftrong at Sea, and it feemed too dangerous, to hazard the lofs of fo many brave fea-men, which made up a great part of the forces of the town, without probability of success. They therefore contented themselves to have them in a readiness, as occasion might serve, which now in some fort did present it felf. The Swedes had made provision of boats and other small vessels, for the transportating of part of their forces into Amack; these lay at anchor near Kalleboe, not far from the town, and secure, as not fearing any attempt upon them by fea. But Nicholas Held and Bredal two good fea Commanders, having mann'd, & arm'd a good number of their long boats, Aug stole upon them and surprised them a little before day. The Smedes 24. being thus circumvented, made little or no relistance, so that all their vessels (except a small ship of war, which cutting its cables faved it felf by flight) were taken, stranded, sunk, or consumed with fire. Some Held brought into the town with him, and the rest which he could not by reason of the shallows, he burnt; having saved the men, cannon, and whatever other provision was portable, before he destroyed them. The two Kings were spectators of this nocturnal combat, though at a distance, both imagining the succels according to his hopes and fears. But Held's return with five Lighters or Portoons, and many other conquered imaller boats, put the business out of controversie, and King Frederick into such a transport of joy, that he received Held (leaping out of his boat) as one that had well deserved of him, and gave him his hand to kits, publickly commending his courage and conduct, as a testimony of his valour, and an incitement to others. The Danes in the desperate condition they were in upon the first appearance of the enemy before the town, added their supplications to God, to the arms they bore, as the most efficacious means for their deliverance. Their Churches and Altars were crowded by their women and children, whileft the men each in his station upon the walls, stormed heaven by their prayers and intercessions. These holy employments were the daily and hourly exercises of the besieged, at their spare times, which were now by the Kings command turned into thanksgivings for these two signall, and in the condition they were, very great victories.

The swedes being rendred more wary by so many losses, omitted the present attacking of the town, to secure and fortifie their own quarters; they therefore strengthen the out-works the Citizens had formerly quitted; with pallisadoes they turn their breast-works against the town, and in them, and their ditches or moats (dividing them near the sea, and cutting them off from the rest of the said works) they made a quarter large enough to contain all their foot, and all their instruments of war. This quarter was strengthened within with

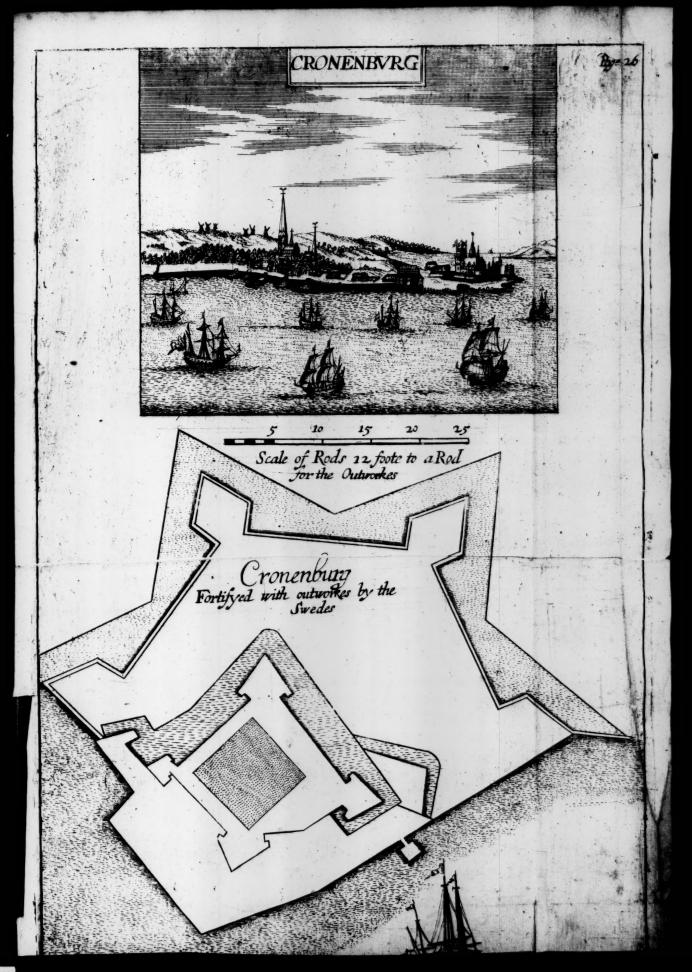
a ravelin, and on the fide towards the fields with a tenatile, or tonge; and being also seated betwirt the fea and St. George's lake, was fecured on the back fide by the right wing of horse, which lay in the Hollands village. The rest of the horse (except the guards disposed of upon the several avenues of the town) were enquartered betwixt Utterfleve and Wartow in the open field, ready in cale the Citizens should fally again, to oppose them upon their first appearance. The Danes were no less busie on their side; they cut down all the trees which which were in the Queens garden or elfe where planted, as well for ornament as ule, without their gates; they burnt such edifices as were yet standing, and level their very rubbish with the ground, lest the enemy might find any safety or shelter behind them. Things being thus ordered on both sides, the Danes full of hopes, and encouraged by their former good fortunes, prepare for another fally, but being upon the point to march, they were stayed by the sudden appearance of the Swedish horse descending the hill from Walbay. This unexpected fight did not only b. eak their present design, but filled them with amazement and jealousie, while most of them apprehended there might be treafon amongst themselves, and a secret correspondence with the enemy from within. But not knowing how that might be, the town being so well guarded, and at a loss who to suspect, an uncertain rumour was spread abroad, that a standard had been seen lift up. and displayed upon Wlefeld's house, which all concluded was done to give the enemy notice of what passed in the town, by orders from that traytor (as they called him) to his King and Country, But the faid lodgings being vifited and fearched, and some who were fuspected examined and imprisoned, though nothing got out of them, this fear vanished. But the true reason of this discovery was not known till afterwards. There was a Wind mill not far from the town, which over-looked it, though at a distance, the Swedes having their fentinels day and night there, could (though confusedly) by the help of perspectives, see what was done upon the walls, which they within were not at first aware of. The Swedes having fecured their quarters, began to infest the town by shooting multitudes of glowing bullets into it, especially by night, to add terror to the harm they might do; and indeed the fear was greater than the mischief, for the King having at the beginning of the siege, appointed three hundred men to guard the leveral streets of the town, as well against such accidents as casual fires, had abundantly provided for any harm that way; which order had that also of good in it, that the other Citizens and soldiers who were appointed for defence of the ramparts, being strictly enjoyned not to quit their stations in any case whatsoever, were less sollicitous for their own dwellings, being secure in the others care. These men therefore being provided with great hooks, great tongs made like mens fingers at the ends, and other fuch instruments to handle these fireballs, eafily prevented their mitchief, so that there was no material

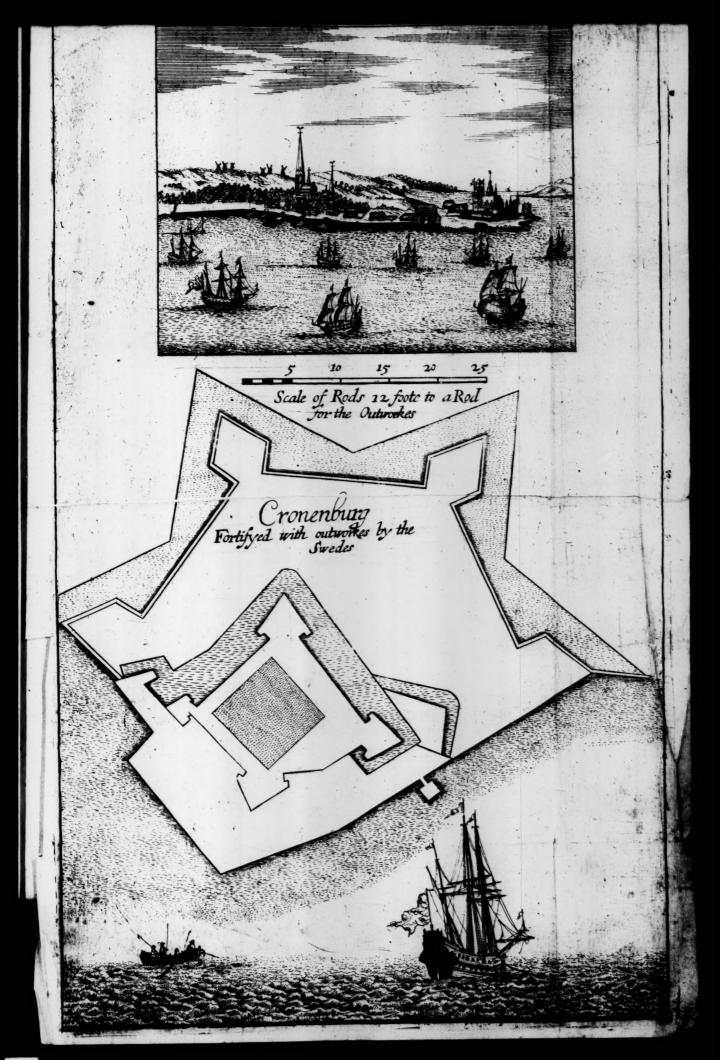
harm done, either by them, or by the granadoes thrown into the town, during the whole Seige. And now the Swedes began to approach again, but with more circumspection then at first, for they built a large square fort, to defend their trenches, and making ule of St. George's dike, fortifie it with a breaft work and pallifadoes, and having raifed a battery for two and twenty pieces of Cannon upon it, began to thunder upon the remains of the Tower, upon the Helmer bullwork and opposite Curtain, endeavouring by that violence to dismount the Cannon upon the walls. They aiso made another battery in the Ladegard fort, of nine Guns, out of which they shot (not only bullets) but fire-balls into the City. fortifications at Wartow being open towards the town, were shut up with new breaft-works, and further strengthened with twelve pieces of Ordnance. The belieged had ordered two other Prames with good Cannon in them, toflanck and defend the East fide of the town, which they did with so much obstinacy, that the incessant violence of the guns out of this sconce, could not oblige them to quit their stations; the covers indeed of these flat boats were beaten down, and that was all the harm was done them, which they fufficiently revenged by dismounting some of the adverse cannon, and killing feveral of their men. The Danes feeing the enemies order and approaches, and feeing no means to diffurb their advance but by fallies, resolved yet again to try their fortune that way. They stole out of the North gate, with four hundred horse and Ang. foot, and falling with great haft and resolution upon the enemies 30. post, on the other fide the Bebling Lake, beat them from it at first onfer, but being frighted by their horse which hastened to their succours, they were forced to retire towards the walls again, leaving behind them one Captain, and fifteen or fixteen common foldiers. This did not daunt them fo, but they would hazard another combat, which five hundred of them rushing upon the adverse approaches, performed with much resolution. They indeed routed these next to them, as it is usual in sudden fallies at first, but these run-aways did but fave themselves in their sconces, whereby they not only eluded the endeavours of their pursuers, but being suddenly re-inforced from the neighbouring stations, forced them back; mortally wounding two of their Colonels, Urne and Bremer, who died of their hurts the following day. King Frederick escaped also narrowly that same day: for having stood near the West port a good while to fee the skirmishing without, he had no sooner changed place, but Col. Lange stepping into it, was shot through the breastwith a musket buller, whereof he died some few days after. Neither is this the only danger the King hath been in for Providence (who hath a peculiar care of Princes) protected him from another no less eminent, some time before; He had no sooner removed himself from leaning upon a wall at the same West port, but a musket bullet flapt in that very place, where he had refted his head but a moment before. The Danes feeing they could do no more good by their fal-

lies, by reason of the enemies vigilance and strength, opposed new works to their approaches; they made a Ravelin upon the Curtain next the Western gate, with a covered way which extended to both fides the faid gate, and strengthened the Helmer Bulwork, the weakest place of the whole town, by reason of the sharpness of the angle, and the length of the Curtain Northward, exceeding musket shot with another Ravelin, against the enemies approaches; which they advanced upon the Dike, betwixt the Bebling and St. Georges lake. The Swedes had likewife omitted nothing for fecuring of their approaches, they raifed another redoubt in the highway, and joyned all their quarters with lines of communication. The cannon thundred perpetually on both fides, and scarce a day past without skirmishing, though with no notable advantage for either party. The City had the worst of it, for by this time provisions grew very dear, the publike magazines were empty, and there was no monies in the treasury, so that private men were forced to support the publick charges, by enquartering and feeding the foldiery. There was indeed store of wine, of oyl, and of corn, but little or no butter, fresh meats, or fuel; what there was, was registred, as well the wants of the poor, as the better provisions of the richer Citizens: the hay for the horses was divided, to each trooper his share a part, for fear the fire might consume the whole if kept together, and the guapowder was for the same reason, disposed of into feveral quarters of the town. The belieged bore these hardships with much constancy, being chiefly encouraged by the example of the great ones, especially the King himself; who refusing those refreshments which distinguish Princes from the vulgar, was content to share with the foldiers in all their hardships. The Swedish fleet was by this encreased, with a supplement of fix men of war; they had funk several old vessels in the entry of the haven of Coppenhagen, to hinder the passage; but yet they could not either do that, or watch so narrowly, but several messengers and boats, and some little provisions out of the Isles, Role into the town. These brought the glad tydings of the preparations in the United Low-Countries for their relief, of the Elector of Brandenburg's marching into Holfein with the Imperial and Polish forces, and how that the Swedes had surprised nothing in that Country upon their first breach, save the Regiment of Guards already mentioned. Theis news did indeed much quicken the befieged, until the fatal furrender of Cronenburg had like to have funk them. But we will leave them a while to their grief, well-nigh despair, with the apprehensions they had of the woful consequences of this loss; and deliver in short, the story of the taking of this important Fortress.

Field-Marshal Wrangel, having shared the Army with his King upon their first arrival in Denmark, was sent as we have already mentioned by him, to besiege and reduce Cronenburg, with all imaginable industry and celerity, as knowing of what consequence the taking of this considerable Castle would be to his interest and repu-

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tation abroad. Wrangel being come before it, fell immediately to work, and ran his approaches by favour of the Houses in a little time, to the very Moat of the Castle. There were indeed no Outworks to hinder him, and the Garison being surprised, had had no time or precaution to ruine the neighbouring houses, though the place was otherwise very defensible, being secured by the Sea on one fide, and strengthened with a large Moat and good Walls on the other. Besides this, there were above 80 pieces of Ordnance in it, an immense quantity of Powder, and Soldiers enough, King Frederick having fent a recruit of an hundred and fixty fresh men in a Galliot thither by night, out of Coppenhagen. But all this would not suffice, where fear and despair had the predominance. The swedes encreased these terrours with a stratagem; for giving out they had taken Coppenhagen, they celebrated their feigned Victory, with the discharges of all their great and small shot, with the noises of their Drums and Trumpets, with Bonefires, and all the im iginable figns of true joy, even to excess. These unusual Triumphs amazed the Garison, but sunk them when they understood the supposed reasons of them, which were transferred to them with all the cunning imaginable. In the neck of this they were fummoned by Wrangel, and threatned with all forts of extremities, if they alone (the only remaining place in Denmark) should continue to oppose their victorious armies. The Governours (for they were three) too creaulous to believe what they feared, and irrefolved enough of themselves, supposing all now lost, and themselves not fufficient to resist the fate of their Country, thought it their wifest and safest course to provide for themselves in time. They there- Sept. 6. fore shamefully delivered up this strong place, upon the fordid suggestions of fear, and a precipitate credulity, though no way neceffitated, having scarcely held out three entire Weeks. These three Chiefs, or Triumvirate of Cowards, were afterwards condemned by a Councel of War at Coppenhagen, to lofe their heads; but pardoned by the Kings clemency, and the intercession of the Mediators then there. And thus this Castle, the strongest and most confiderable Fortress of Denmark, was taken. Frederick the second had built it, laying its foundation by reason of the unstableness of the fand, upon great Oaken Piles or Stakes, and raising the whole Edifice above ground, with stones fetcht from the Isle of Gotland. The whole structure was the Product of eight years labour, and a vast expence; which as we have already related, was taken in the space of two and twenty days. The Swedes heightned with this Victory, having found an immense quantity of Gunpowder which they much wanted, and great provision of Cannon and other Instruments of War, did hope that Coppenhagen would quickly follow, which they now refolved (being secure behind) to attack it with their united Forces. They did not omit the divulging and heightening of this Conquest abroad, as well as nearer hand; Mr. Appleboam their Resident at the Hague, acquaints the States Ge-

neral with it, who would have willingly dispensed with so in-officious a civility, though he affured them (provided they would not affift their Enemies) that they had no defign to hinder their Navigation and Commerce, or heighten the Customs in those Seas. But their acquainting of the English had more of reality and advantage to both, for they offered them the possession of the said Fortress, if they would joyn with them offensively in this War. In the mean time, they transfer the Toll paid hithertoat Lanskrown, by fuch Ships as palled through the Sound, to Cronenburg again, and fettle there as it were, the feat of their prefent Empire in Denmark. But the news of this unhappy furrender being brought to Coppenhagen, filled the Town with forrow and terrour. At first they did not believe it, because they did not desire it, and thought it impossible that so strong a Place should be so soon lost, and therefore the Messenger was thrown into Prison, as suborned and an Impostor. But the Enemies triumphing in their Camp, and other confirmations from other parts, manifested it to be too certain; which so oppressed them with grief, that they resected upon themselves now as irrecoverably ruined; and there was none amongst them, of forefolved a mind, but was shaken at this fatal Trtuh. For they as well as the rest, feared lest the succors designed for their assistance in the Low Countries, terrified with the taking of Cronenburg, would either not come, or if they did, intend others danger with more remisnels and less care, where their own was so great. But these fears vanished by degrees, and the Citizens re-assumed their wonted courage, being confirmed by the States Generals Letters, that the promited fuccours were ready, and on their way to their relief, with Orders to break through all obstacles, or whatever might oppose them. Many thought these Letters feigned, and only a Court trick to amule the people, neither would the incredulous vulgar believe otherwise, until the Letters themselves were publickly read in the Churches, and their fignature exposed to the view of all men.

The swedes had made great provision of all forts of Engines, fit for affaulting of Towns, which King Frederick having notice of, as also that they were at a place called Flescha, on the other side of Amak, resolved to attempt the seizing or ruining of them. The most desperate Sea-men were pickt out for this exploit, but the wary Enemy sensible of the danger, prevented it by a timely landing of their Instruments, and withdrawing of themselves. The Swedish Fleet was retired from before the Haven of Coppenhagen, toward the Sound, in whose absence, many lesser Vessels, with some provisions, partly out of duty and partly out of desire of gain, stort they made great profit of their Merchandises) stole daily into the Town; twelve Boats with store of refreshments, and a hundred and sixty Soldiers sent from Laland, creeping along their shores, and by savour of the night and lusty rowing, got into the Town in safety: but that which no less amazed than rejoyced the

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Citizens, was the unexpected arrival of a Swedish Frigat of fixteen Guns, loaden with spoils and prey. The Mafter and Sea-men were Swedes, but it happened, that befides their Lading they had a Danish youth (I would I knew his name) and fixty Zeland Boores on board. The Vessel having passed the Isle of Wenen with full fail, and in fight of Coppenhagen, the young Dane shewing his Countrymen the Town with his finger, told them they had a happy opportunity to deliver themselves out of their flavery, and do their Country some service, if they would resolutely fall upon the Swedes with them, and turn their course into the Haven. He had no sooner faid this, but it was refolved upon, and as foon put in execution, for most of the Sea-men being under harches, they eafily mastered rest, and came as they defigned with full fail into the Haven. But that which made most noise in the Town, was the intercepting of a Letter of the King of swedens to Douglas, his General in Liefland, with Orders for the feifing of the Castle of Mithow in Courland, which he notwithstanding did, as also the Duke in it, who with his Lady and Children, were fent under sate conduct to Riga. This violence was aggravated with all the circumstances of infidelity and tyranny, the better to estrange the people from any thoughts of an accommoda-

tion with fuch an Enemy.

The Swedes having brought all their strength before Coppenhagen, and having enlarged and fortified their Quarters, made all the appearances of force imaginable, and to flew they were in earnest, thundred upon the Town from three feveral Batteries at once, with that imperuofity, that they threw down the point of the Battery at the Western Gate, shivered many houses in Town, and slew fixteen of the Defendants with their Cannon bullets in one day: to this they added the terrour of their Granadoes, which they toffed over the Walls in great numbers, but not with that success they expected, for they either fell into Puddles and Moorish places, or were prevented before they took fire, by the vigilancy and address of those who were appointed to attend them. The Danes repaired by night the Battery the Swedes had shaken, and disposing of their Cannon (of which they had above 300 in all upon their Walls) in convenient places, rebeat the Enemies Forts and Works, and oblige them to the like nocturnal labours and reparations. They also threw great stones out of their Mortars into the Camp, omitting nothing which they thought hurtful or offenfive, so that the Siege and attack seemed reciprocal, and alternative. On the 20 of Sep- Sept. tember, the Swedish Fleet having weighed their Anchors, failed 20. towards the Sound, leaving only four Ships behind them to attend the befreged; this infuled new joy into the Citizens, fancying their promifed relief out of the Low Countries to be near, fo then difdaining to be blockt up by fuch a flender remainder, Held was commanded by the King to go and fight them with three men of War, which the Swedes perceiving, cur their Cables and retired to the offer. rest of their Fleer. The Danes encouraged by the supplies they

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had received from Laland, and their former successes, adventured another falley. A hundred and fifty armed for the most part with Sithes and Morning stars, rushed upon their most advanced approaches, and falling lustily on, flew above an hundred of the Enemies Pioniers (whom they furprifed, resting from their labour, for it was late evening) and some few Soldiers: But the Guards hastening from all quarters to the relief of their men, they were forced to return, though not without the loss of a Captain, and fix or feven Soldiers. The Swedes repaired the diforders of the late eruption the fame night; which the besiegers observing, and heightened with so many lucky encounters, flew out upon them again, armed befides their utual Weapons, with hand Granadoes. The swedes were building a Redoubt to secure their Trenches, which being yet im-Od. 4. perfect was eafily surprised, many of the Workmen being flain, and the Materials of it most thrown down, the Danes retiring into

their receptacles again, without any confiderable lofs.

And thus both fides attacked, battered and offended each other, whilest the Swedes endeavoured to approach the City, and the Danes to stave them off. The Swedish Fleer which had continued some time in the Sound, (seeing the Netherland Succours were not fo forward as they had imagined, and that several Vessels during their absence had got into the Town, as also some Merchants ships which had been taken by the Danish Capers, not as enemies, but only to supply the present necessity of the besieged) returned back to Coppenhagen, and advancing as far as Draker, landed eight hundred Foot and three hundred Horse in the Island. A thick Mist tontributed much to their easie comming on shore, for they were not discovered till they were ready to leap out of their Boats, which affrighted the Boores, and a few Soldiers that watched there away, and obliged them to fave themselves by a timely flight. Amak lying on the South East fide of Coppenhagen, and only divided from it by a Bridge, containing fix English miles or fix thousand paces in length, and four thousand in breadth. The ground is very fertile, abounding in Milk, Butter, Cheele, Hares, Domestick fowl, and all forts of Kitchin hearbs, insomuch that it may properly enough be called, the Cities Store-house, furnishing indeed its Markets with those necessary commodities, there are several Villages in it. inhabited partly by Banes, and partly by Dutch, the latter having been brought thither out of North Holland, by the command of Christian the second, to make Butter and Cheese (as being esteemed more skilful in that mystery than the Natives) above an hundred years fince. The Kings unfeafonable indulgence, had permitted the Inhabitants to live at their own Houses with their Provisions and Cattle, upon their intercessions and promises, to guard the Avenues of the Island, and assurance that they could not be so surprised, but they should have time enough to retire, and fend their Cattle and Provisions, with their Wives and Children before hand into the Town; but they were deceived, for the Swedes were upon them

them before they were aware, so that they had scarce time to fave their own persons and their Cattle. The Swedes being become thus Masters of the Island, began forthwith to fortifie their landing place, and secure themselves a retreat, in case the Citizens should attempt to disturb them in their new Conquest, King Frederick made indeed a shew as if he would have fought them, appearing in the Island about noon with all his Horse, but he was difswaded by them about him, and the Enemies numbers, at least their advantage, being too strongly intrenched and Pallisado'd (for they had brought store of Turn pikes, Freeze Herse-men, and fuch desensive materials with them) to be forced by a weaker Party than themselves. The Danes therefore seeing there was no good to be done upon the Enemy, returned into the Town, but first burnt Sunbug a Village near the Gate, lest it might afford them either lodgings or shelter. But the Swedes stay in the Island was not long, Octob: for King Charles having received certain intelligence that the Neiberland Fleet was under fail, and on its way towards Denmark, quitted his present design, with a resolution to oppose the advance of these succors. In the mean time, because the Enemy might not overmuch rejoyce at his departure, he commanded all the Villages and Houses in the whole Island, to be pillaged and burnt, and whatever might be of ule to the befieged in his absence, to be destroyed. The Denes beheld this fad spectacle from their Walls and Towers with much regret, especially such who were particularly concerned in this devastation. But the King knowing bewailings were fruitless, refolved to revenge this violence, being also incited to it by the disorders of the Enemy, he being assured by a fugitive out of their Troops, that they being dispersed through the Island, and intent only upon their plunderings, might be eafily surprised and oppresfed. Hereupon the King commands to found to Horse, and all offeb. being in a readiness, marches out himself with his own Guards; 10. two hundred and fifty Horse commanded by Guldenlew and John Alekefeld, a few Dragoons, and a good Troop for the Reserve. Some of the nimblest Foot got up behind the Troopers, for the business required expedition, and four light Field-pieces, drawn The Senators each of them by fingle Horses were carried along. who were present, would have disswaded the King from hazarding his person (in whose safety their all, and their Countries did confift) to the uncertainties of war; but he knowing of what moment the presence of Princes are in such encounters, and hearing that the King of Sweden was also in the Iste in person, gave them no hearing, but clapping spurs to his horse continued his way. The Swedes being allarmed with this appearance, drew into a Body near a Village called the Hollands Dorp; they did not exceed three hundred Horse, and those for the most part fresh men, and one hundred Foot. The Danes finding them in this posture, charged them bravely, and after some resistance broke and routed them, and had in probability, if they had purfued them closely, taken or flain King. Charles

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Charles himself, who together with the Prince of Sulsbach and Wrangel, were forced to a hasty retreat, leaving above a hundred of their men behind them upon the place. Some few dayes after, the King escaped no less danger by water, than he had done before by land; For the Boat which he was in, passing out of Zeland into Schonen, striking against a Galliot (which by violence of the Wind and stream was forced upon him) was broke in pieces. Most of his men were drowned, whilest he catching by the end of a Rope was saved, and pulled up into the great Vessel, with the loss only of his Hat and Staff. Count slippenbach was also with him, but reprieved for the present, though he perished afterwards by the same

Destiny.

The Danes content with this Victory, would not endanger the losing of it by pursuing it, but returned in triumph into the Town, their flain and wounded not exceeding thirty in all. The joy was fo great for this success, that they gave publick Thanks in their Churches for it; forgetting the just forrowes they had conceived for those real losses they had sustained, being they saw themselves so eminently revenged upon the Authors of them. The fame morning the Besieged had fallied out with three hundred men upon the Enemies Works by the Bebling Lake, but found them in such a posture of defence, that they were forced not only to defist but re-This done, the Swedes raised a new Battery of eight Guns upon the faid Dike, and whilest it was a building, threw great stones and Granadoes out of two Mortar-pieces, without intermission into the Town. Upon the eleventh day, they shipped their Troops in mak, and fet fail towards the Sound, the news of the approach of the Belgick Fleet encreasing daily. The Danes made yet another fally, after the departure of the Enemy out of Amak, with four hundred men, upon the square Fort or Redoubt next the West Gate, and beat the Defendants out of it with Hand granadoes, and other fire-works which they showred into it. They threw down and pull'd out the Turn-pikes and Pallifadoes, which were planted for its fecurity, and having filled the Trenches with much terrour, retired without the loss of one man, in safety into the Town. However the Swedes had endeavoured to approach the City with their whole might, yet the valour of the besieged was such, that they could do it but flowly, and not without much difficulty, by reason of the frequent fallies, and uncessant firings out of the Town. And yet they were got within fifty paces of the Moat, and would undoubtedly have advanced farther, if they had had time. They approached upon that fide of the City, not as being the weakest. for it was well flancked on both fides, but with defign (as I suppose) to get into the covered way, and by it to the Some or Dike next the Gate, which being broken down (for the earth was lower there) all the water of the Moat which it supported, would be let out, the Moars dreigned, and the Ascent to the Walls, on all sides by that means dry and easie. But the time, as we noted, failing them by

reason of the Netherlanders approach, King Charles betook himself to other Counsels, and making a shew as if he were not averse from Peace, signified the same by a Trumpet to the City. But being resuled, as also the Propositions from the English and French Ministers, for a Cessation from Arms rejected, as unseasonable, being they daily expected their relief; he omitted the present attacking of Coppenhagen, and transferred the War into the Sound, with a resolution to oppose the Dutch in their passage that way with

all his power.

Whilest these two parties do thus amuse the world with their struglings in Denmark, the Dutch Fleet assembled at the Ply in North Helland. It is not imaginable with what fervor the depart of these succours was pressed by all men. De Witte Vice-Admiral of Rotterdam was first ready with his Squadron, and failed to Doggerfand, with Orders to expect the rest of the Fleet there. But a sudden and dreadful Tempest rising out of the North and North East, forced him back into the Maze, to repair the disorders he had suffered in it. But the Merchant-men did not escape so, for being unable to refift the rage and violence of the Sea, several of them were funk, and many being thrown upon the Coasts of Holland and Friezland, were split and swallowed in that vast abyss. Amongst the rest, there was a Citizen of Dockum, whose missortune seemed the most deplorable of any; the Ship he was in lay at Anchor, but he fearing it would not be able to ride out the form, pressed the Master to cut the Cable, and trust themselves to the mercy of the Water, which the Skipper refusing, added they had no hopes but The other not believing this, and in the firmness of their Anchor. terrified by the prodigious reciprocation of the Waves, ran to the Cable with an Ax in his hand and cut it. The Ship being thus at liberry, flew in a trice to the Neighbouring shore, and being flung against the Pales thereof, by the force of the Wind and Sea, after some reiterated shocks broke in pieces. Before the Ship was wrackt the man had lift up his Wife upon one of the pales, but turning about to help his son which stood by him, a sudden Gust had prevented him by throwing the Boy over-boord, which the Father feeing, catched with one hand at one of the Pales, whilest he stoopt with the other to help his Child, which he had done, if the faid Pale being rotten and unable to support his weight, had not broken, whereby he also felt. His Wife astonished with so dismal a spectacle, and feifed with a fudden grief, fell into a found, and as if unwilling to survive such dear pledges, tumbled head-long into the Sea, and perished with her Husband and Child in that unpitying Element.

There was no industry omitted to repair De Witte's shattered Vessels, as also to make ready the rest of the Fleet, to which end the States sent express Commissioners to the Flye, who with their presence and authority should hasten these preparations. And now all things being in a readiness, the Souldiers were embarked, only the

Wind was contrary, and by good fortune continued fo, until the number of the Fleet was well-nigh doubled, for when they were first ordered to fet sail, they were scarce strong twenty men of War. Fames Walenar Hier of Opdam, and Lieutenant Admiral of Holland commanded the Fleet, and now the Weather being favourable, and the Wind at South East, he weighed Anchor, and failed accompanied with the prayers and wishes of his Countrymen, to relieve that City which thus long had been the prize, for which two potent Kings had in person contended. The swedes had used all their industry to hinder these preparations of the Dutch; they had offered the States their own conditions in the Sound, and had amply enough not only laid before them their old and inviolable Confederations, but also the ill usage which they had received from the Danes, by their manifold exactions. But leeing the States resolved, they refolved also, to carry it on with a high hand, in as much as in them lay, and venture a Battle, though at Sea, rather than be frighted or treated, out of their hopes and Conquests in Denmark. They therefore had their Katches and Spy-boats, swarming about the Coasts of Holland, to observe the Fleets order and motion; not wanting as well friends as intelligence, within the very United Provinces themselves. And that it might appear that these were real ones, two Shipps loaden with Ammunition, packed up in Herring Tuns, were intercepted in the Texel, defigning to direct their course for Corfoer in Zeland. Opdam being advanced as far as the Point of Schagen was forced to Anchor there, as well to stay for De Witte, as the Wind to double the Cape, so that he could not reach Lapfand before the two and twentieth, where he was also forced to expect fix dayes more, by reason of contrary Winds. King Charles feeing his Adversaries Fleet so near, and in his neighbourhood, omitted nothing on his fide for their reception. He went daily upon the Sands to vifit and view their numbers, and bulk, and order, with his perspectives. Sometimes he seemed resolved to take advantage of the Wind and Stream, and fall upon them where they were, which both himself and many of his great Officers, wished afterwards they had done; confidering that if they had been worfted, they might have retreated to Gottenburg, and that both the shores were possessed by the Swedish Troops. But the contrary opinion prevailed, which was to expect them in the Sound, being they must first pass the batteries of the Caftles from both sides, and that they themselves if they were not victorious, might abundantly secure their retreat, by the neighbourhood of these two Forts, and the Haven of Lanskrown. The Wind being come about, and blowing gently out of the North, Opdam summoned the chief Officers and Captains on board, and having given those Orders to each of them which were necessary, dismissed them with this admonition; that they should not be wanting to themselves, to their Country, nor to them whose deliverance depended upon the success of their prelent endeavours. The Anchors being weighed with the general affent

affent of all, they fet sail for the Sound. But whilest they are hastening thither, it will not be amiss to take a view of the Admiral and Colonel Pichlars Instructions; which were as followeth.

The Lieutenant Admiral shall first and before all things take notice; That the intention and designe of this State in this present Expedition of their Fleet, is, to deliver such of the Inhabitants and Subjects of this State as traffick in the East sea, from all oppression, as also to assist the King of Denmark against the King of Sweden, who lately, unexpectedly invaded him, and that so effectually, as may by Gods help deliver him from the aforesaid violence.

2 To this end the Lieutenant Admiral shall sail with the Fixet of this State with all diligence to the Sound, and convoy thither the Auxiliaries of this State, designed for the assistance of the King and Kingdome of Denmark, and especially for the relief of Coppenhagen and

Cronenburg,

3 Being come as far as Cronenburg, he shall so far countenance and affift the said Succours with all his Forces, that part of them may land and be received into the said Castle, in case upon communication with the Governour there, it he judged necessary.

4 He shall in like manner endeavour to put the rest of the Succours and

necessaries, into Coppenhagen.

5 He shall vigorously and manfully, like a Souldier and Scaman, endeawour to deliver all the Ships, Goods and Persons of the inhabitants of these United Provinces, who are taken or detained by the Ships of War of the King of Sweden.

6 For which end, he shall, in case he encounter the Swedish Fleet or any part of it, vigorously attack, and it possible, overcome the same, using therein such courage and Souldier-like precaution, as the occurrences of

affairs will permit, and he is entrufted with.

7 Further, he shall in general, treat all them who will any way oppose or impede him in prosecution of his said Orders, as is more amply mentio-

ned in the aforefaid Article.

8 He shall, the Land Militia being landed, continue with the Fleet under his Command in and near the Sound, and contribute by all Occurrences, all that is necessary to remove the mentioned oppression:

Also he shall do his utmost endeavour, to retake any Ships belonging to the Inhabitants of this State now with the Swedes, and also hinder any further molesting of the Trassicking Subjects of this Land: in Order to which, he may upon such intelligences as he shall receive, as occasion may require, send any Ships or part of his Fleet, to prevent any design that may threaten them.

And in case the City of Coppenhagen and the Castle of Cronenburg should (which God forbid) be taken, by the Swedes before the arrival of the Lieutenant Admiral, the said Lieutenant Admiral shall then keep with the Fleet upon the Coasts of Denmark and Norway, in such places as he shall judge securest and most proper to carry on the design of the States, as in the eighth Article, and to wait their farther Orders. notwish standing tying himself somport himself as above, without notwish standing tying himself so precisely to the Letter and Orders here prescribed, as not to act according to intelligence and occurrences, as he shall judg best for carrying on the designs and intentions of the States, as is already exprest: and shall also give the King of Denmark notice of his approach, and defer much to his considerations and pleasure, to which end he shall from time to time correspond with His Majesty.

IThe Lieutenant Admiral shall take care that he shew all respect and civility to the Chiefs of other Armies or Squadrons belonging to any King, Commonwealth, or State, in peace and alliance with the States General conformable to their respective Treaties, yet without yielding in any thing contrary to these instructions, much less receiving any command from them, or suffering any visits by them: but repel any

with force that shall thus presend to treat him.

12 Any chief Officers that come to dye in this Expedition shall be succeeded by their Lieutenants or next Inferiors, unless uncapable, &c.

13 The Lieutenant Admiral shall keep an exact journal of all material Occurrences, and advertise the States and the respective Admiralties therewith.

24 The faid Lieutenant Admiral, shall in all other occasions (not mentioned in these Instructions) which may happen, act by advise of his Councel of War, and as shall be judged most for the Lands service.

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Collonel Pichler had also his Instructions apart, which were That he should conduct his 38 Companies in the best order to the Sound. That being come thither, he should immediately confer with the Governour of Cronenburg, and put so many men with their Officers into the said Garrison, as should be judged necessary for its defence, by the said Governour. The said Officers and Companies should receive Orders from the Kings Governours, referving notwithstanding to themselves, the correction and paying their souldiers. He should also surnish them with Ammunition, if they wanted it. This done, he should in person go with the remaining Companies to Coppenhagen, and addressing himself forthwith to the King, or him who commanded there in Chief, receive such Orders as they pleased to give him, and precisely follow the same; reserving as above, the payment and military discipline over the same, to himself and his Councel of War.

lead the Van, confisting of eleven men of VVar, two Fluyts, and one Fire ship, the main Battle containing 13 men of War, 2 Fluyts, and one Fire ship, was conducted by Opdam himself; and the Rear, equal in number and strengthto the Avantguard, was brought up by Pieter Floriz, Vice-Admiral of North Holland. The Land Militia consisting of thirty eight Companies of Foot, under the Command of Collonel Pichler an old souldier, were, as also their chief Offi-

cers,

cers, carried in Fluyts, but manned and armed as the other with Cannon for war; except some few Companies and commanded men, which were dispersed and mingled with the Sea-men, in the several Vessels of the Fleet. Count wrangel High-Admiral of sweden, who had hitherto lain with his Fleet, confisting of two and forty men of War, whereof twelve or thirteen were of vast greatnels, under Cronenburg, feeing Opdam's order and motion, resolved to meet him in his passing the Streights. He had divided his Navy into four Squadrons, the first being led by Henry Gerdson a Datch Zealander, who having served long in the Swedish Fleet, would not now quit it; Wrangel himfelf followed him with the fecond, Vice-Admiral Bielkenstern with the third, and the Rear was closed by Gustavus Wrangel, a Kinsman of the Admirals. King Charles had levied Sea-men about Lubeck and Wifmar, and had many English intermingled with the rest. Many also of his old and best Souldiers, both Foot and Horse, were brought on board, he being resolved to omit nothing that lay within the compass of his power, for promoting of his Conquests, at least conserving the glory of his Arms by

Sea as well as by Land.

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Things being thus ordered on both fides, they met, and fought with equal hopes and courage. The Dutch, born as it were in the Sea, and expert in that Element, disdained to see the honour they had acquired by their skill in Navigation, disputed by an unknowing Enemy, whilest the Sw des were transported with delife to shew themselves men at Sea, as well as they had done by Land, especially being their King was a Spectator, and an exact observer as well of the brave, as more degenerous actions of his Souldiers. It was betwixt eight and nine in the morning, when the Dutch Fleet was advanced mid-way betwixt the two Castles. They from Cronenburg faluted them with a brace of Guns, being the Swedes Signal, but with loofe powder: but the Datch not answering, they let fly with sharp from both Fortresses, but did no great harm, by reason of the distance. only one Bullet fell into Peter Floriz his Ship out of Elzenburg Castle, which sew three of his men. De Witte, who led the Avanguard, approaching the Schonen shore, let flye a Broad fide at the Bridge which extends it felf into the Sea, fo that they at the Battery there, fearing the like greeting from the other Vessels, quitted their Guns and sed into the Town. The Vice-Admiral being past the Bridge, directed his Course fully upon Wrangel, who advanced towards him, and however that at by the Swedes Ships of the r first Squadron, did not answer them, nor Wrangel himself who gave him a broad side; till he was come near him. He then discharged a whole volley of Cannon at him, and being repayed in kind, returned him his thanks in the same coin. The first Squadrons being past, the main Battles began to approach, and now the two Admirals being within reach, Wrangel thunders upon his Adversary, with his great and small shot, Opdam did the fame, but with more success; for Wrangel's Ship lost

her Rudder in the encounter, which necessitated her to retire out of the Battle, and go to Anchor under the Castle of Cronenburg. By this time the Fleets were mingled, and the fight grew hot on all fides, especially where the chief Officers were; for whilest each endeavoured to fuccour his own, all were engaged, which rendred the Combat terrible, and the more, being the place they contended in was so narrow. The contest betwixt Bielkenstern and De Witte was very hor, and might have been disputed longer, if the Swede being helped by one of his own Ships, called the Wilmar, had not attacked him in his front and fide, neither did he overcome him, till he had flain him, and funk his Veffel; which his unadvited running upon the ground did much contribute to. Opdam having oppressed Wrangel was shot at, at a distance, by all the Ships that approached him, but laid on board by two, the Morning-flar and the Pellican. These lying on his Lar-board fide, fought luftily, and extreamly perplexed the Defendants with hand Granadoes, which they threw amongst them out of the Round-top of their Main-masts. A third Vessellying a stern of him, battered him forely behind, and powred small shot into his Cabbin, but there was no body there, for the Admiral though then extreamly tormented with the Gour, had caused himfelf to be carried in a Chair, and placed before the door of the Hut or Captains Cabbin, on top of the upper Decks, that he might as well fee, as be feen of all men, and give those directions that the prefent occasion required. He sustained the violence of the Enemies attacks for some time fingly and alone, but Van Nes one of his Captains coming to his aid, the two Ships that had laid him on Board were mastered, the one being sunk by the said Van Nes, and the other taken by himself, and mann'd by his Lieutenant, but funk also afterwards upon mistake, by one of his own men of War. Opdam's Ship, had in the heat of the Fight faln foul of the Sands, as de Witte's had unhappily done before, if he had not prevented it by chopping to an Anchor, which faved him; for the Ship tacking about, by that means she cut and recovered the deep again. In the mean time she was extreamly battered, her fails were all torn, her rigging broken, and her sides so pierced with Bullets, that she had five foot water in Hold. But nothing seemed more dreadful, than an accidental fire which took in the Poop, which would have proved fatal, if it had not been suddenly quenched. Opdam had more than half his men flain and wounded, and his brave Capt. Egbert Mens, had received some slight hurts, which rather heated than hindered him, to do all the functions of a worthy Commander. For all this the Admiral did not quit the fight, until left alone betwixt the two Fleets, so that he then followed his own towards Coppenhagen, whil'st the Swedes affembled theirs under Cronenburg. The Dutch loft in this Fight about eight hundred men, amongst whom were the two Vice Admirals, de Witte, and Peter Floriz, (the last having been flain by an accidental Bullet at a distance) and five Captains. Only de Witte's ship, called the Brederode (their Admiral in the En-

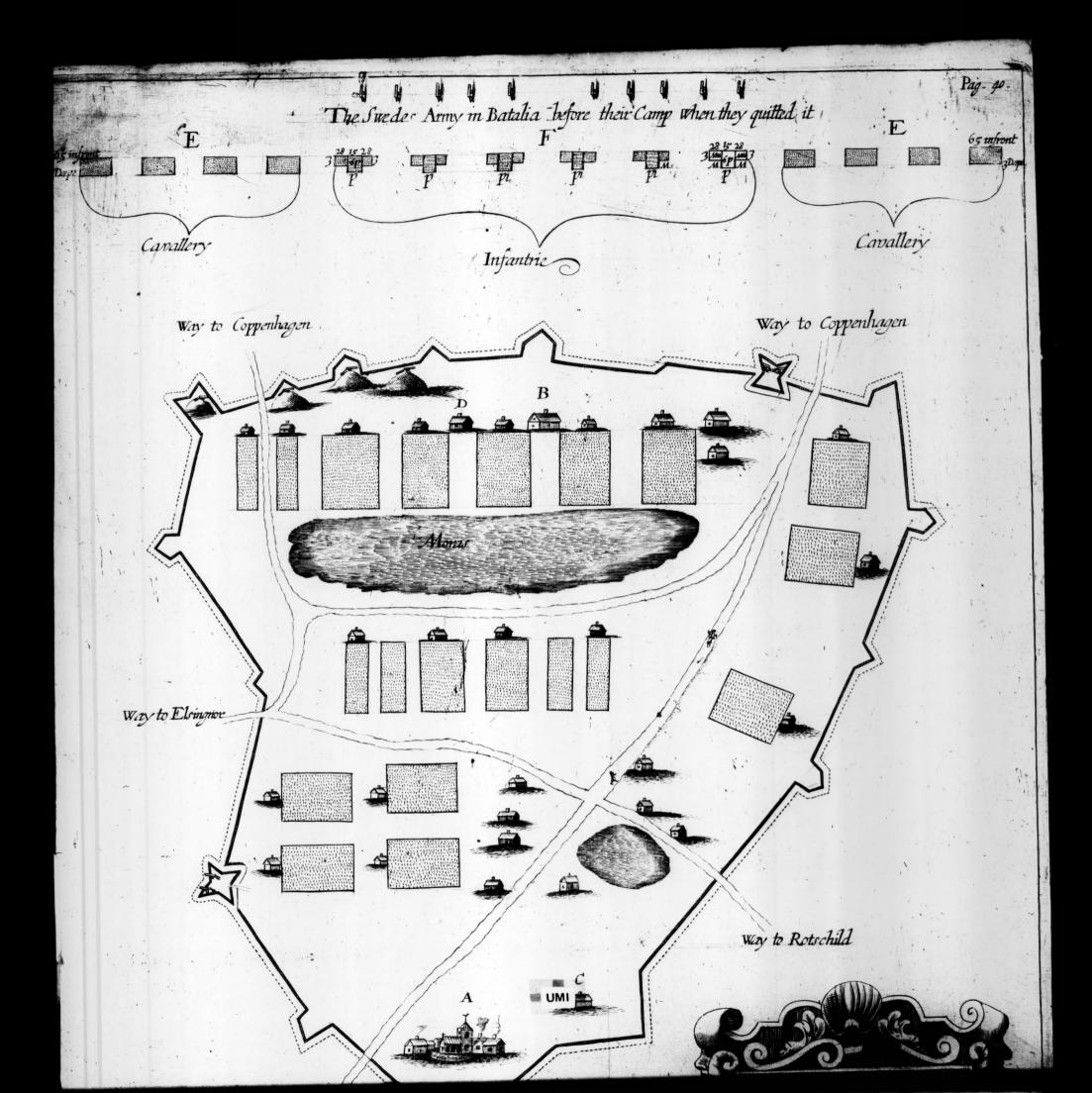
glish War) was lost, having been stranded and sunk, as we have already mentioned. The Swedes had indeed taken Captain Brunffield's Ship, having flain him, and well nigh all his men, but they quitted it again, it being on fire, which threatned its fudden ruine; but that being quenched by the remaining Dutch who were left in it, being but 14 in number, the Vessel was brought by them to the rest of the Fleet. The loss on the Swedes side was greater; for three of their Ships were taken, and two, some say more sunk. There perished two more of their Ships, in their retreat to Lanskrown, one being stranded and quitted by them near the Iste of Ween, and the other, running upon its own Anchor, split in the entry of the Haven. The number of the flain and drowned on the swedilh fide is uncertain; as near as I can gather, they doubled that of the Dutch, though these affirm them to have been more, and the other scarce fo many. It is constant that all on neither fide did not their duties, but being the number of eithers Cowards was not very disproportionable, the disadvantage that way seems not unequal. But to leave these degenerous spirits to the shame and punishment that attends

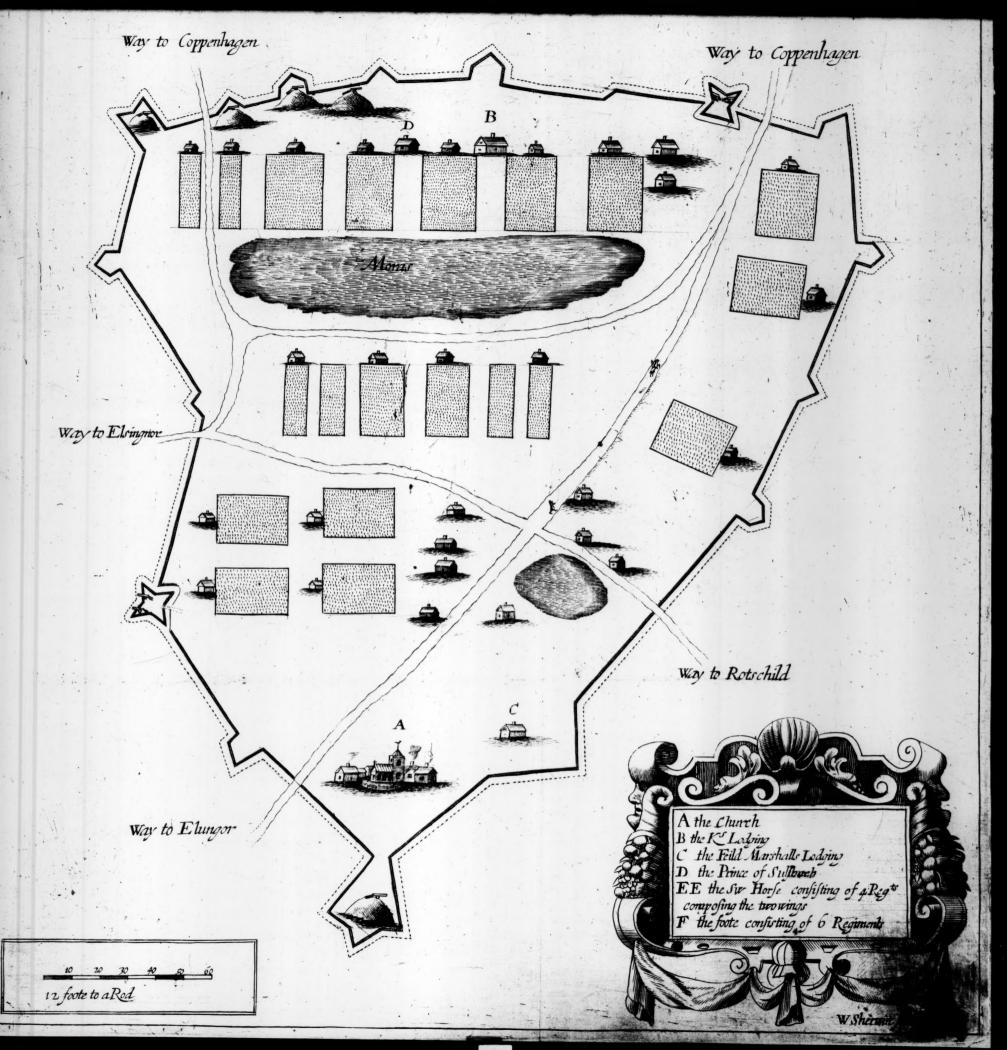
them, we will pursue our Relation.

Towards Evening, the Danish Admiral Bielke, who by reason of the contrary Winds could not get up to the fight, joyned opdans betwixt Coppenhagen and Ween, with fix men of War. Hereupon it was resolved to engage the Enemies again, but they having secured themselves in Lanskrown, the design was changed into a Blockade, and being they could not enter the Haven without too great a hazard, to endeavour to deftroy it by finking several old ships filled with fand, stones, broken Cannon, and such like Ballast, in the entry of it, and so render the Fleet within it useless, by obstructing their passage out again. The swedes were at first trightened with the greatness of these preparations, not thinking that impossible, which they saw undertaken, and pursued with so much eagerness. Seeing therefore they could not hinder what they so much feated by force, they would try what threatning could do, and fent King Frederick word, that they would revenge the detriment which should be done their Haven, with the destruction of the Kingdom of Denmark. But the Danes did not desift for all these menices, but returned answer, that the King would perfift in his defign, if he thought it might prove prejudicial to his Enemies, not defpairing, but to be able another day to revenge those injuries, which their malice might create him in Denmark, by a just retaliation in Sweden it felf. But this, as also another defign of the Danes, to surprite the Castle of Elzenburg about the same time, proved fruitless. Six hundred foot were ordered for this exploit, but being opposed by a rude form were forced back, though nor without some loss. The whole Fleet, the Winter being far advanced, was likewise obliged to return to Coppenhagen, for the Sea began already to freeze, and crust with drifts of Ice.

It is not imaginable, with what excess of joy the Dutch Auxiliaries liaries were received within the City, but the Besieged were transported when they saw (the next morning after the fight) that the Swedes had quitted their Works and Approaches near the Town, and were retired. The Sun had no sooner discovered the Enemies Retreat, but the for sken Trenches swarmed with the glad Citizens; The Works which had been raised against them were levelled, and whatever the Swedes had left behind them of moment, carried in triumph into the Town. These publick joys were further celebrated, with publick Thanksgiving in all the Churches, and this oppressed people, seemed raised by this unexpected deliverance to hopes of a better fortune.

King Charles seeing the Garison so strongly re-inforced by the addition of the Netherland Troops, drew his Army off from before the Town upon their approach, and retiring to Walkey, stood there in Battle array two dayes together, but feeing no preparation on the other fide to fight him, he pitcht his Tents at Bronfboy, two thousand paces from the City. There he encamped his Army with Walls, and Trenches, and Pallifadoes, as well to fecure himfelf, as to keep the Danes from any material excursions: and being he was not at present in a condition to continue the Siege, he converted it into a Blockade, whereby he abundantly annoyed the Citizens, and kept the whole Country within his obedience. He also commanded Hurs and Houses to be made for the Officers, and Souldiers, the Neighbouring Villages being broken down to be transferred thither, fo that the whole Camp seemed like a new City, raised to brave the other. The Danes were content to become idle Spectators, for want of Horse, and forced to look on with patience where they could not remedy; fo that they being onely rescued, and not delivered, laboured still under an irksome restraint, whilest their chief Town continued befieged by Water with vast sholes of Ice, (for the whole Sea was frozen, and the Fleets immoveable within the Haven) shut up on all fides by Land, except Amack now covered with Snow, and debarred from all correspondence and communication with Zeland, or any of the other Isles, as yet within its obedience. The Dutch had indeed brought a Fleet, (but it was Victualled but till December) and Souldiers, and some Provision into the Town, though not enough of the latter, to suffice so great a multitude: and the Citizens who had been surprised by the unexpected invasion of the Enemy, had neither their Store-houses full, nor as yet laid up for Winter; so that their wants grew daily upon them, and all hopes of further supplies were taken from them, by the extremity of the feafon, which rendred the Sea altogether un-Navigable. The greatest wants were of fresh meats and fuel, both which grew as well very dear, as very scarce: and yet the Citizens under went these hardships with much constancy, expecting till the more favourable Spring should restore the use of the Sea to their more numerous Fleets. In the mean time, those Ships which the States General had had npon the Coasts of Portugal this last Summer were returned home,





hone, and now ordered for a fecond Supply for Denmark. The Land foul liers were already commanded out of their Garisons, under the direction of Collonel Killegren, but enquartered in the Towns of North Holland, by reason the Expedition was delayed untill the Spring, to: the Winter came on faster than ordinary, and the cold feemed wholly untractable. And indeed the States supposed to have done enough, for the security of Coppenhagen for the Winter. infomuch that they remanded had Opdam, commanding him to leave only twelve Vessels behind him, but this Order, upon report of an English Fleet being gone towards the Sound, was quickly countermanded, and the Admiral wrote to, to keep his Fleet together, and in the best and securest posture he possibly could. These second preparations did highly displease the English and French, in so much, that their publick Ministers then at the Hague, delivered each of them his Memorial, both in one day to the States General; wherein they admonish them to joyn their endeavours with theirs, for composing of the differences in the North, and defist from fomenting the Wars in those parts, by sending of more Supplies thicher; otherwise they should be also obliged, to intend their several and particular interests. The States replied to these, that they defired nothing more than Peace, but being their preparations went still on, the English sent also a Fleet consisting of 23 men of War, and Soldiers, which caused no little apprehension in the States, towards Denmark, These forces were no sooner past the Point of Schagen, but they were obliged to come to Anchor by Pickerholm, a small Island belonging to Intland. Neither were they able to pass further amongst the dangerous Shallowes in the way, and those sholes of Ice which the Baltick Sea did inceffantly difgorge. Goodfon who Dec. 3. commanded the Fleet, had fent one of his Vessels before hand to 1658. discover the way, but the Winter being too far advanced, and he being affured that he could not continue his journey without endangering the whole Fleet, and having also received Letters from the King of Sweden, who for the same reasons perswaded his return, he Recred his Course back towards England. Although this Fleer was constrained by the extremity of Weather to return to Port without acting any thing; yet 'tis very material to be enquired what measures England took in this Affair, and what their aim and design was, in equipping so many men of War. And this will best appear, from the Instructions which accompanied the Fleet; as well those fent to Sir Philip Meadow the publick Minister with the two Kings, as those to Vice-Admiral Goodson, the Commander of the Fleet.

Those to Sir Philip Meadow, were as followeth: Whereas, upon occasion of the present War, lately faln out betwist the Kings of Sweden and Denmark, We have thought fit to fend a Fleet towards the Sound, under Command of Vice-Admiral Goodson, for the ends and purposes expressed in these our Instructions, and also in these given by Us to the said Vice-Admiral, which be hath order to communicate to you, you are to take the first, and somest opportunity

tunity you can, to speak with the laid Vice-Admiral, and to communicate with him, or such as he shall fend to you, concerning the best wayes, and means for putting in execution what you shall herewith receive in

charge.

2 In pursuance thereof you shall, in Our name, offer to both the said Kings Our friendly Mediation, for composing the present War, arisen betwixt them, and for preventing the further effusion of Christian bloud, you are to desire a Cestation of all Alts of Hostility betwixt them, during

the Treaty.

3 In case a Treaty shall either be begun betwixt them, before these arrive with you, or shall be entred into upon your offer of a Mediation, as afore-said, you shall use your best endeavour to bring the said two Kings to an Agreement, and to settle a good and secure Peace between them; taking care therein, that nothing be concluded on, to the prejudice, or

detriment of this Commonwealth.

A In the management of this Affair, you hall communicate as you hall have opportunity, with the French Minister remaining in the Court of Sweden, with whom we would have you to maintain a very good correspondence. And in case the States General of the United Provinces have any publick Ministers residing with the King of Sweden, or the King of Denmark, you hall do the best you can to have a communication with them, and to encline them to use their endeavours, to

the fetling of this Peace, between the faid two Kings.

In case the Mediation so to be offered be not accepted; or that Affairs there are in such a condition; that a Treaty cannot be propounded, or in case a Treaty shall be accepted, but no Cessation granted, or no effect likely to be had of such Treaty, for the ends aforesaid, you are then, for the better securing of the interest of this Commonwealth in these parts (no other way appearing to Us possible in that behalf) to let the King of Sweden know, according to what you will find in Our Instructions to Vice-Admiral Goodson, that the Fleet under his Command will be ready, upon reasonable Conditions, to give him assistance, for his defence.

And that you may fully know Our mind, and intention upon this whole Affair, We have herewith sent you a Concept of Articles, which We judge fit and necessary to be agreed upon, betwixt Us, and the King of Sweden, as the Terms of our Assistance, which you shall communicate to the said King, and upon his agreement thereunto, and formal ratisfication thereof, you shall signific the same to Vice-Admiral Goodson, That he may accordingly pursue the Instructions given him in

that behalf.

7 Though We have sent this Form, yet Our mind and intention is, not to tye you up to all the words, and expressions therein, but that you keep to the substance thereof, so as if alterations be made in any part thereof, the substance be not altered. And in case any thing else occur to you, being upon the place, which as affairs stand may be of further advantage to the interest of this Nation, you are to propound, and infift on the same accordingly.

8 In case matters should so stand at the arrival of Our Fleet, that by reason of the King of Swedens successes in his affairs, Our Fleet can be of little help, or advantage to him, at present; you are in such case to try what termes may be procured from the King of Sweden, for securing our Commerce in those Seas, and to transmit them to Us, without doing any thing positively therein, till you shall receive special direction from Us.

9 As to what shall concern the wearing of the Flag, after conjunction of Ours with the Swedish Fleet, and the management of both, in point of Command in reference to service, or action: As also, concerning the dividing of any Prizes that shall be taken, by the Fleets, in conjunction, or apart, you shall make such agreements as upon Avice with Vice-Admiral Goodson, shall be thought reasonable, and consistent

with the honour of this Common-wealth.

To You are to give Us an account of affairs, by all possible opportunities, and by all Expresses both by Sea, and Land, that We may from time to

sime have certain, and particular knowledge thereof.

In Whereas some distinctly may possibly arise, concerning the second Article in the Concept, whereby the people of this Commonwealth are to pass the Sound, and Belt without paying of any duty to the King of Sweden, on supposal, that the people of other Nations may pass free by colour thereof; you are impowred to insert such an additional Article, to secure Hissaid Majery from all frauds in that kind, as you shall find meet, and reasonable.

affairs of the King of Sweden are, and how far the Fleet now sent will be of consideration to him; In case therefore, upon advise with the Commander in thirf, you shall find that Our Fleet, in conjunction with the King of Swedens, shall not be sufficient to oppose any Forces, that may assault the said King, you are to take such care, in the Treaty, that Our Fleet may not be put upon disadvantagi-

ous Engagements.

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this Commonwealth, you are to use your endeavours, in this Treaty with the King of Sweden, for to procure some reasonable security to be given to this Commonwealth, That the particulars contracted, and agreed in this present Treaty be performed, and observed; which we are not able to ascertain here, in regard His Majesties Commissioners had no power to agree any thing therein. And therefore must leave it to you, to do therein, with the advice of the Commander in Chief of Our Fleet, as you shall find most advantagious, and feisible.

Dated at Whitehall this 12. of Novemb. 1658.

Those to Vice-Admiral Goodson, were also as followeth:

1 Whereas, for composing the present Wars, which are lately faln out, betwixt the Kings of Sweden, and Denmark, we have found it necessary, to offer Our friendly Mediation betwixt the said Crowns, as well for

for the fetling of Peace between them, and for the good of the Protestant Cause in general, as also for preservation of Our Interest, so far as it is concern'd therein ; As also to fend a Fleet, which may attend the iffue of that Mediation, and the affairs depending thereupon; You shall therefore fail with the first opportunity of Wind and Weather, towards the Sound, taking along with you the Fleet under your Command. And after your arrival in those parts, shall take your first opportunity, to deliver, or fend unto Sir Philip Meadow, Our Envoy Extraordinary with his Majefty of Sweden, the Letter herewith delivered you whereby he is authorized to offer the aforefaid Mediation) As also to cause these Our Instructions to be communicated to him either by some fit person to be sent to him for that purpole, or by procuring him to come abourd you, as you shall find melt convenient. And from time to time to take all opportunities of communicating each with other, for the better effecting of what's given you in charge respectively.

2 Whereas Sir Philip Meadow is authorized, by Our Instructions, to defire of both the faid Kings a Treaty, and during fuell Treaty, a Cessation of all Acts of Hofility betwixt them, you are to joyn with our laid Envoy in that defire, as Commander in Chief of thee English Fleet; communicating as well to the King of Denmark, as to the King of Sweden, that you are come thither with Our Fleet, not to offend either of them, but to take all opportunities, that shall be put into your hands, for obtaining an Accommodation between them, for the good of both. And to fee, that nothing be done to the prejudice of the free Navigation and Commerce into the Baltick Sea, nor to the particular detriment of this State, We conceiving Our Interests to be in the iffue

thereof, much concerned.

3 In case you shall find a Treaty betwixt the said Kings to be begun before your Arrival there; or that, upon this Mediation offered, a Treaty shall be entered upon, you are by advise with our faid Publick Minister, to use your best endeavours, that nothing be agreed upon, betwixt the faid Kings, or any other, that may be to the prejudice of this Commonwealth, or to

the Trade, and Navigation thereof.

4 If upon your coming upon the place, and advising with Sir Philip Meadow, you shall find, there is no room left for a Mediation, or Treaty, but that the War is likely to proceed betwint the faid two Kings, Or in case a Treaty shall begin, and be after broken off without effect; It appearing not to Us, That there is any other way to secure the Interest of this State in those Seas you are then, with Our Fleet under your Command, to give afsistance to the King of Sweden, for his defence against such as shall asfault him, upon the Terms herewith delivered you, and in the manner hereafter expressed.

That is to Say ,

- Tou are, in the Cases expressed in the next aforegoing Article, to apply your self to the King of Sweden, and to let him know. That you have received direction from Us, To acquaint His Majesty, That We have authorized the said Sir Philip Meadow, to treat with Hu Majesty about the Terms of an Assistance to be given Him in this present War; And that, the said Treaty being agreed, you shall be ready with Our Fleet, to assist him, according to the Conditions that shall be agreed upon in the said Treaty.
- 6 But until you shall find, upon advise with Our said Publick Minister, that no Treaty will be accepted, or being accepted, not take effect, you are not to communicate Our last mentioned Instruction to the King of Sweden, or any other person whatsoever.

and so certified by the said Sir Philip Meadow, and a Copy thereof transmitted unto you, you are to employ Our Fleet, according to such Articles, and Agreements, as shall be therein contained.

- 8 In the prescention of this whole service, you are in respect of the season of the year, to take the best care you can, for the safety of Our Fleet under your Command; It being Our intention, and meaning, That the Fleet shall not say in those Seas so long, as to be hindred from coming home, by the Ice, or hardness of the Weather; and therefore We would have you so to order the Station of Our Fleet, That you may be at liberty to return, in case you shall be forced, for the reason aforesaid, to leave those parts.
- 9 In case the Treaty with the King of Sweden shall not take effect, through his not agreeing to the Articles, you are to forbear to give that King any assistance, till further Order. But shall immediately send away one of your Ships to advertise Us thereof, bringing the rest of the Fleet into some safe Road, or Harbour, where you may with security, expect our further direction.
- to In your saluting of the Castles, or Fleet of the King of Sweden, you are to observe the usual custom in like cases.
- Tou are to give us an account of affairs, by all possible opportuties, and by all Expresses both by Sea and Land, that We may from time to time have certain and particular knowledge thereof. Dated at Whitehall this 12 of November. 1658.

In both the forecited Instructions, mention is made of a Treaty of Assistance, concerning which these three things are to be noted.

First, Assistance was to be given the Swede conditionally, in case a Peace could not be obtained, and the repugnancy to the Peace, was on the part of the King of Denmark.

2 It was to be given defensively onely, against those who should affault the Swede. 3 The Treaty was to be figned and ratified by the King of Sweden, previous to the Affistance, lest after his work done, he might profit upon the English Assistance to their own disadvantage. To which purpose, it is remarkable, that Sir Philip Meadow was authorised by the thirteenth Article of his Instruction, to use his endeavour, to procure some reasonable security that the particulars contracted and agreed in the faid Treaty be performed and observed. In pursuance whereof, he afterwards to tast the temper of the Swedish Court, propounded that Stade upon the River Elbe, and Landferown a confiderable Port within the Sound, should be deposited in English hands, as a pledge and Garanty of the faith of the Affisted. But this Treaty of Affistance being the same in substance with that sent upon the Fleet under General Mountague, in the Spring of the following year, I have referved it to that place.

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The year was by this time run out, without any remarkable acti-1658. on in Denmark, but the new one produced new exploits, and difcovered the new Designs of the Swedes, though for the most part unfortunate: for their attempt upon Langland failed, and they were beaten off from Menn with loss. The Island of Bornholm having surprised and suppressed the Swedish Garrison in it, returned to the obedience of her old Lord, and when the waters were open, turnished the City with great store of provisions. The Cold had congealed and frozen the whole Sea, all ways were passable, and all passages open. The azur'd plain was marbled with Ice, the two groffer Elements making but one vast Champion: and truly, this was the best season to war in, in those cold Regions, and the time wherein the Swedes had atchieved their greatest Conquests. Coppenhagen was as well in their eye, as in their thoughts, and the only object they now aimed at. The acquisition of this remaining City, would as well crown as compleat their Victories, besides the addition of a Fleet as an Appendix to their triumphs. King Charles was therefore resolved to omit nothing for the compassing of this great Defign, and now four thousand choise Souldiers were order red to make an attempt upon the Enemy. These were all disguifed, by wearing their shirts upon their clothes, to render them less discernable in the Snow. They were armed each with a brace of Pistols sastened to their Girdles, being provided also with Spurs for their hands and knees, against the flipperiness of the Ice. But their Design being discovered by one that sled from them into the Town, was laid afide for the present. Neither were the Danes wholly idle, they had fecret correspondence with some Citizens of Malmuyen, and hopes to surprise that considerable Town. The occasion seemed fair, as it was supposed, and the souldiery (most whereof were Netherlanders) was imbarked for this important enterprise. But they lost their way in the dark, being by the unskilfulnels of their Pilots, Aranded upon the shallows of Southelm, which

lucked well, for the Swedes had notice of the whole transaction, and having re-inforced their Garrison with 600 men, expected them with impatience. The Danes had sent one Troll, a Gentleman of the Kings Chamber, who was the Author of this Expedition, to discover the Coasts, but whether his intention was to surprise his Missiris or the Town is uncertain, both are credible in a Lover and a Souldier. However it was he brought a young Lady back with him, which he had found in an appointed place without the Town, and word that the business was discovered, and not to be pursued without eminent danger. In the mean time, two Traitors who had undertaken to burn the Fleets were intercepted. They were induced thereto, by very extraordinary rewards, but being discovered received other payment, more suitable to their treason, and unfortunate endeavours.

The Swedes being resolved to vex the Citizens, drew out their Troops almost every night, frightning and wearying them with perpetual Allarms. They hoped to find fome opportunity or other to surprise them, grown negligent through custom, or an opinion of their strength: but they were deceived, for the Danes having their Centinels upon the Steeples and heights of the Town, were warned by their Cannon, and tolling of their Bells, of every appearance or motion of the Enemy, so that their Walls upon every the least Allarm, were immediatly filled with the Defendants, who crowded from all parts to oppole the danger. King Charles therefore, seeing he could neither intercept nor surprize them, resolved to attack them by force, and relying upon the valour of his unconquered Army, and his own good fortune, which had thus long been prodigal in her favours to him, would, notwithstanding the strength of the Fortifications, and the numerousness of the Garrison, try what he could do by a general Assault. He had many reasons that prest his very hast. Amongst others, he apprehended the preparatious made in Holland, where a great Fleet, and a fresh supply of Souldiers, expected only the Spring to fet fail: but that which perplexed him most, was, that it had been not obscurely intimated to him, that the English (whom he trusted above all other) had declared, they would not willingly fee Coppenhagen change Master; fo that fearing now his friends as well as his enemies, he would whilest he had time attempt it, supposing if he had carried it, it would be no impossible matter for him to make peace with the one, and reconcile himself with the other.

At this time Sir Philip Meadow being in the Swedish Camp, having received Letters from England, instructing him to urge a separate Ireaty betwixt the two Crowns, sent into Coppenhagan several Proposals to the King of Denmark, conformable to his Orders, to press the business of a speedy Peace, in order to prevent the hazardous contingencies of an Assault, to which he saw all things disposed and prepared. The Gentleman also whom he sent, did not obscurely intimate the said preparations in the Swedish Camp, for a general

general Attack, but the King nothing terrified here with, returned aniwer, That he could not in honour and fafety, enter upon a distinct and separate Treaty, without a comprehension and inclusion of the rest of his Allies. The swedes having notice of this refusal, prepare to force that by Arms, which they could not get by composition; and approaching the I own walls with their best Troops, fired a Prame or Flat-boat, which lay betwixt Christians-haven and the City, armed with fix imall Guns, and twelve Souldiers. the day comming on, they retired for that time into their Camp again, without any further attempt. The Night following they made another show of affaulting the Works, but retired as before, and for the same reason. The third day, the Army being well retreshed, was drawn out of the Camp, and being abundantly furnished with all things necessary for the present Expedition, was commanded to march. The King had affigned each Regiment his Post, and the place they should attack, and having ordered that the Souldiers should wear Straw, and little bundles of Juniper on their

Arms or Caps, gave the word, God help us.

The fign to fall on being given by firing some pitcht Barrels, the King, who was present, commanded fifty Musketiers to go and take possession of the Ravelin, before the half Bulwork near the West Port. This being done, Lieutonant Collonel Geneki marched with two hundred men, on the right hand of the faid Ravelin, up to a little Work which lies betwixt the long Gallery and the Wall, Delwig attackt the half Bulwork with his Regiment, and Major General Fersen seconded him on his right hand. The English and the Palsgraves Troops, assaulted the Bulworks next the Kings Stables, Collonel Voyette seconded by Aschenberg with three hundred Horsemen now on foot, the Brew-house; and Major Smith affisted by Bidal a Lieutenant of the Kings Guards, a man of War and a Prame, which lay betwixt Christians-haven and the Town. The rest fell upon the other quarters of the City, as they were ordered, all full of hopes for a happy success. But if the Swedes omitted nothing for compassing of their Design, the Danes on the other fide, whose mark was their Hankerchiefs in their Hats, were no less follicitous to divert the storm, which did so threaten them. They were informed of the Enemies motion, by their Centinels, and Patrouillis without the Walls, fo that they were more than sufficiently allarmed and prepared to receive them. And truly we have not often heard of a more furious encounter, Charles shewing his men the riches and pillage of the Town, bids them hew out their own rewards, for all their past and present labours: whilest Frederick riding from one Guard to another, tells his, that theirs and their Countries welfare, depended on their valour, and this moment of time. The fight grew high and hot; the Defendants upon first fight of the Enemy, thundred upon them with their great Guns as they approacht, but when they were come nearer, well-nigh over-whelmed them with showrs of Bullets,

Bullets, Cartrages, Wild-fires, Hand and Morrar-granadoes (which they rowled in great numbers from the Walls) and other offenfive instruments. That side which the Swedes affaulted was best flancked of any, fo that they were viewed and shot at from several parts at once: but they chose it by reason of the Ice, to avoid the Graffs and Pallisadoes, and because the Works there were less compleat than the other, the Sea in gentler seasons rendring them inaccessible on foot. For all this, they came up to the very Walls? Fersen's men were got so close, that they were secure from the Flancks, and having pulled out some of the Pallisadoes, began to rear their Ladders, and mount. The Besieged, on the other side, filling the Bulworks with their numbers, and their Moates with swarms of Darts, which they incessantly threw upon the Aslailants, forced them back; three or four got upon the top of the Works, but being ill seconded perished there, though otherwise worthy a better fortune. Neither were the Swedes more fuccessful else where: the Colonels Gengel and Voyet were flain, and Ashenberg, Hestrige, and Weyssensteyn being forely wounded, the Souldiers they had led, began to give back. The King seeing it, disparcht Count Erick Steynbock with the Smaland Regiment, to their affistance, but he observing their disorder, and apprehensions at the loss of their Officers, passed by them, with design to fall upon the Rampart next the Stables; but whileft he endeavoured to pass the Ditch, he was shot into the breast, and slain. Neither did the Lieutenant Colonel who commanded the Smalanders escape, he being also sorely wounded, so that the Souldiers seeing their Leaders fall on all fides, did not a little stagger. The King had also fent the two Spars, with the other Smaland and Sudermanian Regiment to second Fersens men who fought so well; but seeing the inequality of the place they contended in, and the little appearance there was of success, he commanded to draw off, though necessitated to retreat, through the tempest and incessant hailing of the adverse shot. The fight at the Ship was very hot, the Swedes had dragg'd Boats and Bridges with them to pass the Water (for the Defendants had broken the Ice round about them) and some got over and entred, but being ill received by them on Board, and worse seconded by their own men, they were forced out again, or flain in it. Smith and twelve more of his men were killed upon the Hatches, the Sea swallowed many, and such as escaped the Cannon, were glad to save themselves by a hasty flight.

Banner and Vavasor, who were ordered to keep the Enemy in allarm on the East-side, were no less unfortunate than their Comrades. Lenssman and Fittinghoff two Lieutenant Colonels, were commanded to assault the Cittadel, but they, whether upon mistake or a sudden change in their design is uncertain, sell upon the Mill-bulwork next the East-Gate. The Nesherland Auxiliaries, made up of several Companies, of those Nations which are

in fervice of that Illustrious Republick guarded that Post, the which, together with the Port & the neighbouring quarters, had been affigned them upon their first arrival; they had sent 100 of their Souldiers with a drum of every Nation, at the beginning of the tumult to help the Danes where the storm was hottest, which deceived the Enemy, who believing by this various noise, that most of them were un to the danger, haftened to take possession of their forfaken stations. The night by this time was far spent, it being about four in the morning, and the storm ceased on the other side, when it began with new courage and fury on this; for the Swedes having passed the Wartow Dike, marched with much confidence towards the Town Moat, and neglecting the Ravelin on their left hand, laid their Bridges, and crowding upon them endeavour to pass; but these Bridges proved so short, and consequently unable to bear the weight they were pressed with; so that the Assailants, terrified with this unexpected accident, retire again. Some indeed got overbut perished whilest their Companions, who could not get to them. made what hast they could to get away, leaving their Ladders, Bridges, &c. one hundred and ten common Souldiers, and their chief Officers, Vavasor, and Fininghoff, and Lenssman, flain upon the place. The attempts that were made upon Christians Haven and the North Gate, were learce worth the mentioning, being only feigned Alarms to frighten the Besieged, lest whilest they seemed affaulted on all fides, they might perceive on which it was ferioufly intended. Seeing therefore the contest ended where it was more really meant, they drew here also off, though not without some loss, by reason of the incessant discharges of the adverse Cannon. It would be unjust to pass by the remarkable service which the Dutch Seamen did in this storm. Opdam kept a good troop of them near his person, for a reserve upon all occasions, but sent his most expert Gunners to affift the Danes; these being numerous, and more skilful than the other, discharged the Cannon with so much dexterity and speed, that what with the multitude of Guns (there being three hundred and five upon the Walls, besides seventy more upon the four Prames, and two small men of War) and their nimbleness, the whole firing seemed but a continuall Volley. But the day began now to break, no less grateful to the Defendants, than dismal to the Besiegers. The Moats, the Counterscarps, and the whole Fields, covered with the bodies of dead and dying men, manifested the greatness of the slaughter. There lay flain upon the place, five hundred fixty four dead bodies, besides several which the Sea had swallowed up, and not a few who had been carried off by their friends.

In the Catalogue which was given the King of Smeden by his command after the fight, there are found five hundred and eighty dead, and nine hundred wounded. Amongst others was Count Erick Steynbock, General of the Ordnance, La Voyet a French Collonel (both which died of their wounds in the Camp.) Major General

General Sir William Vavasor was sound amongst the dead, with his Ears cut off by the greedy Souldiers, to get his jewels that hung in them. Guengel, Dromond, Lentsman, Fittingboff, and Smith, bestides a great number of inferior Officers, at least a hundred; fell in that bloudy affault. The Besieged lost scarce ten of theirs, and now the Enemy being gone, rush out of their Fortifications, and stripping both the dead and dying, sent these later to bear their friends company: the Swedes had lest six Colours behind them, twelve Drums, two Mortar-pieces, two Petards, and many scaling Ladders, Bridges and other instruments of War, all which were brought in triumph into the City, and the same morning Te Deum was sung in all the Churches for the delivery of the King and Coun-

try from fo eminent a danger.

Many who presume to judge of the actions of Princes, and that by the event to, feemed to wonder why the King of Sweden, did not at his first arrival before the Town, endeavour to take it by Asfault, being it was but weak in Fortifications, destitute of Souldiers, and full of terrour and distractions? And why he did nowattempt it at all, feeing the Citizens, having had time to recollect themfelves, were grown strong in the opinion of their numbers, and past fuccesses, that their Walls and Bulworks were high and firm, and their Garison re-inforced with great supplies of old Troops from their Confederates. It is constant that the King did not omit the Attacking of the City of his own accord, but by the perswasson of others, who affirmed, that it was an enterprise full of difficulty and rashness, to provoke desperate men, whose only hope was in their Arms. They further urged, that the City was not so weak in Fortifications, however thrown up in haft, but that they were detensible. Nay this very thing was an invincible Argument, that they were ready and resolved to suffer the worst of extremities, being they prepared for their defence with so much constancy and care. Moreover, they supposed it wholly incredible, that the King, the Nobles, the Clergy, and People, should tamely surrender or betray his Crowns, their Honour, their Revenues, their Houses, and Families, and all of them being they were numerous and armed, their Liberties, their Country, and what ever was more dear to them, to the common Enemy. It was fafer therefore to draw out the War in length, being they themselves were not very strong. Lastly, the multitude was to be overcome by delays, and the miferies of a Siege, and not by force; for the more generous transports of the mind, however they may be of proof against sudden violence, yet they are oft found to languish in length of time, and by a continued succession of injuries. These and the like were the reasons of those, who were against the present assaulting of the Town, and they prevailed then; but feeing it fell out otherwise, the King calling to mind the taking of Fredericks-Ode last year, where the Defendants out-numbred the Besiegers, and considering that those things which are most difficult, are most glorious, and imagi-

ning nothing able to relift the valour of his victorious Army, now great and formidable, refolved to try his fortune which he had hitherto found fo propitious and favourable. But his main encouragements were, the immense rewards of so noble a Conquest, the Monarchy of the North, and the Dominion of the Baltick Sea; which he had already swallowed up in his vast thoughts. On the other fide, if the fuccess did not answer his expectation, the loss would not be very great, bearing no proportion with the hopes of fo many, and to great Victories, crowded up in the taking of one Town. However it was, his forces were beaten off, and forced to retire to their Camp, where we will leave them to mourn their present loss, and bury their flain (which they fetched off by leave from King Frederick, and inhumed with as much military pomp as the place and time would admit off) to profecute those other transactions of War, and Treaties, which were carried on in order to the relieving of this important City.

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The Two Northern Crowns.

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Ulring these Contests at Coppenhagen, there arose another, and more formidable War, which put King Charles hard to it: and 'tis a wonder how he could resist to many, and so powerful enemies. Germany, Poland, and the Elector of Brandenburg arm against him, and under pretence of relieving an oppressed Prince their Ally, and maintaining the Peace of the Empire, march with

their conjoyned Forces towards Denmark. The true reasons of this arming, was the apprehensions they had of the unexpected successes of this great Prince; and lest Sweden, grown powerful with the accession of the Danish Crown, might prove no less ambitious than formidable. Upon this account they conclude a League betwirt themselves, and resolve with their United strength, to endeavour the succouring of King Prederick by Land, as the Dutch did by water. The Imperialists commanded by Montecicalis were essented eleven thousand; Czerneski and his Poles six thousand, all

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Horse, and the Brandenburgers, at least twelve thousand strong. The Elector himself, a warlike Prince, and heightened with the glory his valout had gained him in the famous Butle of! Warfow, was General of this vast Army: And now their divided Forces being met, they resolve to march into Holstein, where the Swedes had hitherto lorded without refistance. Being advanced as far as the Borders, the Elector commanded publick Proclamation to be made; How that the King of Denmark having fignified to the Emperor and himself, in what manner the King of Sweden had broken the Peace made in February last, invaded Denmark without any denunciation of War, befieged Cronenburg and Coppenhagen, and defigned the Conquest of the whole Kingdom: had also defired him to joyn his forces with the Emperours, and come with all possible speed to his relief. He therefore declared, that moved with the just demands of a Prince he was in League with, he was hastening to his affistance, to deliver him rom his oppressors, and procure a firm and equitable Peace: Laftly, he defired all men to contribute their endeavours to so just a work, especially in Vi-Etualling his Army, promising in case they did, to protect the Inhabitants from all violence and diforder of the Souldiery.

The swedes unable to refift so powerful an Enemy, thought it safest to withdraw betimes; but lest they might not prejudice their Adversaries in their very retreat, they destroyed all the forrage they met with, burnt all the Villages and Houses in their way, and ruined what ever they thought might be of use to their pursuers. Having past the River Egder, on a Bridge of Boats, they broke it after them, and retiring into Julland with their General the Prince of Sulsbach, encamped their wearied forces at Fredericks-Ode a Sea Town of the leffer Belt, and well fortified with Bulwork, and a strong Garison. The Elector followed the sad track of this flying Enemy, and being come to Gottorp, the Dukes Residence, commanded a Battery to be raifed against the Castle, threatning its ruine in case of refistance. The Duke of Holftein who had retired betimes to Tonningen, a strong Fortress lying on the North Sea, having notice of this fummons, fends an Envoy to the Prince Elector to defire a Neutrality, which was granted him upon condition, that he should deliver his Castle to the Confederates, as a gage of his future good behaviour, and pay fixty thousand Ryxdollers as a present ransom. Gottorp being surrendred, the Army marched to Alfen, a little Island separated from the Continent, by a small Arm of the Sea, which they passed in Boats under favour of their Cannon, and over-powring the Enemy in numbers, forced them to retire. Collonel Aschenberg commanded in the Island, with three Regiments of Horse and some few Foot, but being shut up in Sunderburg, and seeing no hopes of relief, he filently conveyed himself and his Souldiers, by favour of the night, into some Ships that arrived there some hours before, and so escaped the danger. The following day discovered the Enemies flight;

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but all their baggage, fifteen hundred Horses, and twenty four pieces of Canon, fell into the Conquerours hands; who in pursuit of their Victory marched immediately to Nordburg, another Fort in the Island, which they likewise took without resistance, and in it Collonel Knust with his Regiment, who were forced to deliver up themselves and the place to the power of the Confederates. The Dec. Island being thus cleered Czerneski marched towards Futland, and falling upon a party of the Swedes at Colding, beat them, and forcing the Kings Pallace, put the whole Garison to the sword, referving only the Governour and his Lieutenant, to publish his victory and their own misfortune. The Confederate Army drawing near Fredericks-Ode, met with a party of two hundred and fifty Swedes . Horse, who had been sent to discover their Forces. These falling unwarily upon the Prince of Anhalts Troops, were beaten and routed, many of them flain, and Lieutenant Collonel Strekihurst that commanded them, with some other Officers of note, taken prisoners. The Prince heightened with this fuccess, draws near the Town, but finding the Garison strong and resolved, contented himfelf with the advantage he had already got. The Winter was too much advanced, and the Weather too wet, to undertake a Siege fo full of difficulty as this was like to prove. The Army was therefore sent into Winter quarters, and divided by Regiments into the feveral Provinces of Holfeyn and Futland, in expectation of a milder feason. The Winter being past, both parties prepare a fresh for War; the Swedes had suffered much within the Town, and lost many of their men, poyloned with stenches, and other calamities. Marshal Nov Wrangel had taken this place by Affault, the year before, and the 165% dead bodies having been thrown by heaps into holes, and but ill covered, broke out again, infomuch, that the streets ran with the gore and matter, which issued from those dis-interred carkasses. This so infected the Air, that the Swedes resolved to quit the place; befides that, the greatness of the Works, containing seven capacious Bulworks, required more men for their defence than they could well spare. Having therefore demolished the Fortifications, and burnt the Town, they transported their Troops over into Funen, leaving only a Garrison in the Cittadel, which was presently besieged by the Confederates, and indeed taken, but empty; for the Swedes, unable to refist the Enemies violence, stole away by night, with most of their Cannon and Provisions, over into Funen. They left some iron Guns behind them but nailed up, and having destroyed what the former flames had spared, mined their own Bulworks, and filling the Cavities with Powder, laid a train which might give it fire. The next morning the Confederates feeing the Enemy gone, rush carelessy into the Castle, and unmindful of what might happen, were most of them that had entred, by the sudden taking of the Mines, blown up and buried in the ruines of their destroyed Conquest. The Confederates having forced the Smeans out of the Continent, resolved to pursue them into their very retirements,

Fun. 1. ments. Hereupon they attack the small Isle of Fenoe, seated betwixt Futland and Funen. The fight was sharp, until the Swedes were forced to flye and fave themselves in Funen, having left behind them one Colonel, three Captains; feveral other lesser Officers, fix Field-pieces, and one hundred common fouldiers. The Confederates did not loofe above forty men in this exploit, and being now Masters of the Island, filled it with men and Ammunition, as a place very convenient for the invading of Funen. Having therefore all things in a readiness, and filled all their Sloops and Boats with Souldiers, they made for Funen, under favour of some Dutch men of War, which lay there to facilitate their passage. They defigned to affault the Island in four several places at once, which they endeavoured, but being ill received by the Defendants, could not reach the Shore. The Swedes had fortified all the Avenues and descents with Trenches, Traverses, and Cannon in abundance. Their Forces were likewise great and strong, especially in Horse, several supplies being come out of Zeland to their ayd, so that the enterprise seemed no less difficult than great, to undertake to force an Enemy, so well intrenched and so numerous as they were. The Confederates lost above three hundred in their retreat, besides the slain and drowned in the Attack, which were many. On the Swedes fide there fell about two hundred, which number had been undoubtedly greater, if they had fought in a more equal place.

This misfortune did not so dishearten the Confederates, but they resolved to adventure another attempt, only the place seemed not . fo proper, as it was at first imagined. They therefore ship their men again, and make for Middlefare where the Trajed was narrowest. The men of War got thither, for all the Enemies great and small shot, but the Carriage-boats could not advance as was defired, for the Wind turning, and the Stream which follows it being against them, they were forced to defift, and turn back to Fredericks-The Swedes however glad of the Enemies retreat, thought nothing done, unless they could difinable them from attempting to pals the Streights for the future. This could not be effected, but by ruining their Boats and Vessels, which they bravely endeavoured, but finding the Enemy more watchful than they had hoped. they were after a rude reception, forced back; two of their Boats being funk, with their men in them, by the Enemies Cannon. The attempt it with all their forces, and that in three several places,

Ful. 4. Confederates seeing they could not get over in parties, resolve to attempt it with all their forces, and that in three several places, with their three Armies at once; but wanting Vessels to transport so great a multitude, they sent five of their fix men of War, to gather up all the Boats they could find alongst the Coasts of Furthern

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The King of Sweden having notice of the Confederates design, was solicitous how to prevent it. He therefore commanded Captain Cox an Englishman, then in his service, with eight men of War,

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one Catch, and one Fire-ship, to Middlefare to oppose them. He He met the five above-mentioned Ships at Ebeltot, who were fo July affrighted with the fight of this unexpected Enemy, that they im- 33. mediatly cut their Cables, but feeing no way to escape, and having less mind to relist, most of the Officers and Mariners saved themfelves on Shore with their Cock-boats. The Admiral indeed made a shew of Defence, but being forely wounded was forced to yield. The number of the flain was not great, but the prisoners many, especially Souldiers; amongst which there were fix hundred Brandenburgers, and four hundred Imperialifts. Cox having mastered the greater Vessels, burnt thirty lesser ones, commonly called Schuyes, that lay in the Haven. He went thence to Arhaulen. where having fired three Merchant-men, and one and twenty of the aforesaid Schuyts, he threw his fire-brands into the Town it selfs notwithstanding a thousand Poles who were enquartered there. Having performed this great fervice, he returned with his Fleet to the Sound in triumph. The conquered Ships followed spoiled of all their Ornaments, two whereof being Danish, having their Colours dragg'd at their Sterns, and the other two Netherlanders, equal with them in fortune, though not in difgrace; which it may be was omitted in complement to the Datch Embassadours, who stood in their Windowes at Elzeneur to behold the spectacle. This Victory, how? ever easily obtained, was a very great one, and highly esteemed by King Charles himself, being now secure of Funen, the Enemies Veffels, together with their hopes of passing thither, being wholly destroyed. Cox was ennobled, and vastly rewarded for this fervice, the King being no less just in recompensing merit, than in discountenancing baseness, and no less prodigal in his favours, than fevere in his punishments; knowing well that these are the true stirrers up, to great and brave Archievments.

The Prince Elector moved with the loss of his Ships, and having no other in a readiness, nor no hopes of any from the Dutch Fleets, which the reiterated Cessations had rendred useless, laid aside all thoughts of further attempting upon Funen. He thefore quitted Fence, and having sunk his remaining Boats at Fredericks-Ode, removed his Camp to Hopdorp, on the South of fulland, with design to transfer the War into Pomerania. The Swedes seeing the Enemy gone, re-garrison Fence, and landing on the Continent, began to rebuild a Fort, which the Poles had demolished upon the quitting of it: but having intelligence that a strong party of the Confederates, which was lest behind to hinder their incursions, was marching towards them, they lest their Works and retired into

their Islands again.

And this is the sum of the Confederates Expedition, and Adventures in Holstein and Jutland, which I thought good for methods sake to put thus together, leaving the more particular relation of affairs, to them that will write their story, for being my intention was only to observe what happened in order to this fa-

mous Siege, and not the whole War, it will fusfice to have only mentioned those things which happened further off, though rela-

ting to it.

To return therefore to Coppenhagen, where nothing of moment did happen after the great Storm: We find the Citizens secure within their Walls, and the Swedes in their Camp; whose Fortifications and strength in Horse, took away all hopes the Enemy might conceive of attempting upon them. Both parties suffered' much through the extremity of Winter, but the Danes most, being thut up from all communication from abroad, the Enemy befieging them by Land, and the Ice by Sea. But they bore these as they had done their former hardships, with great courage and refolution. The approaching Spring encreased the hopes and fears onboth sides. The Danes expected more solid succours from the Dutch, and the Swedes bragg'd of their more forward friends the English; and indeed neither of them was deceived. In the mean rime, both Kings prepare for War. The Dane makes ready his Fleet with all imaginable industry, whilest the Swede resolves the conquest of the remaining Islands. To this end, General Wrangel ships fix hundred Foot, and three Regiments of Horse, at Newburg in Funen, and fets sail for Langland, as the most accessible of them. Count Waldeck had attempted and taken it before, it being affigned him by the King for his Winter quarters: but he had been beaten out of it again with loss, he himself having been likewise hurt in the arm. But Wrangel's fortune was better, though his Victory more difficult. He came with his Fleet to Langland Head, where he defigned to land, but the calm retarding his endeavours, 1659. gave the Danes time to hasten thither from all parts of the Island? fo that they did not only repel the Enemy, but took one of their Long-boats with fifty men in it; this disaster did not at all discourage the Swedes. They resolve to venture again, but the place was not good to land in, being Moorish. They therefore sent all their passage Boats, and most of their Souldiers by night, it being dark, to fearch out a more convenient descent. In the mean time, the Fleet continued its station, and fending out their Cock-boats. kept the Enemy in perpetual Allarms, making shew of landing, the better to conceal their intended defign, which lucked fo well, that the Party they had fent out, gained the shore three miles off, before the Danes had notice of it, and having immediatly cast up a Breastwork to fecure their entry, landed all their men without any confiderable opposition: for those that hastened to the danger came too fate, and in fuch disorder, that they were easily broken and routed. The remaining Danes retired into Traneker Castle, one of the Kings Houses, which was furrendred at mercy, as likewise the whole Ifland, without further refistance. The Prisoners were many at least three hundred Souldiers, and above a thousand Country fellows which were in Arms for defence of their Country, but forced to yield to the strongest; the ordinary fate of Islanders, when a powcrful

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erful Enemy is suffered to land. Langland being thus mastered; Wrangel sets sail for Alsen, where landing his men, he took the Castle of Norburg by storm, but having assaulted Sunderburg thrice in vain, quitted the Island again, and content with his former Victory, and pillaging the Coasts of Holstein in his way, returned

with his Prisoners and Prey to Funen.

The loss of Langland did much trouble the Danes, and oblige them to hasten out their Fleet with all possible speed. The milder Spring had diffolved those sholes of Ice that had besieged the Haven, and the Sea was now grown Navigable, when Vice-Admiral Held was sent to observe the Enemy, with fixteen of those Ships which were ready. He met with fix Swedish men of War, betwixt Langland and Laland, which he charged. The Fight was hot and March tharp, but the Swedes being over-powred were forced to flye, having loft one of their best Ships, with fifty Guns, which Held took, and another which ran on ground to fave it felf. But the Danes did not long continue Masters at Sea, for being too weak to oppose the Swediff Fleet which came afterwards into the Belt, they were forced to fave themselves in the Bay of Flensburg. This news being brought to Coppenhagen, Bielke and Opdam, the Dane and Datch Admirals haften with the rest of the Fleet, to relieve their friends. Being past the Island of Falfter, they discovered not far from Femeren, seventeen Swedish men of War, who having left Held to his liberty, thought to fave themselves through the Belt, but the Wind proving contrary, they were forced to prepare for fight. The odds was April indeed great; the Danish-Dutch being much stronger, and in probability of an absolute Victory, if they had not let it escape out of their hands by over-much precaution and circumspection. Bielke as the Kings Admiral led the Van, and bearing up with the Enemy with a flown Sheet, came to a Tack, for fear that left advancing too much, he might loofe that Wind which he had so favourable, and which filled the Enemies eys with the smoak of his Cannon. He kept therefore to Windward, plying them with broad fides as he past. Opdam following in the wake of the Danes did the same, not absurdly fancying that when they had tired the Enemy, their Victory (provided they had had the Wind inclosed in Bottles) would be no less affured than easte. But it fell out otherwise, for during this Gun-fight, the Danish Admirals Main top-sail came by the Board, which rendred his Ships motion less active, so that his men for fear of falling into the Enemies hands, called to opdam to fave them, which he did: but before they had brought a new Sail to the Yard, the Wind grew more favourable for the Swedes, for it turned from East North East, to South East; by which means and by the stiffness of the Gale, they having gained the Weather-gage, retired without any confiderable loss, to Wilmar. The disadvantage in this Naval skirmish was not great on either side. Bielkenstern who commanded the Swedes was lightly hurr, and but very few of his men flain, which he had revenged with the conquest of the Da-

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nish Admiral, if he had not been prevented by opdam.

King Charles seeing no way of conquering Coppenhagen, but by the Conquest of the remaining Isles, for they were the Granaries and Store-houses of the City, resolved to attempt them. To this end, he embarks himself in person, and being come with four men of War betwixt Warberg and Nypcopping, two Towns of Zeland and Falfter, made shew of attacking a Fort raised by the Inhabitants for the defence of the latter. In the mean time, he fent out a Long-boat with some of his Guards, under the Command of a Lieurenant Colonel, to coast and view the Shore; for the entry near the aforesaid Fort was too difficult, by reason of the shallowness of the Water thereabouts. The Lieutenant Colonel fell accidentally upon a Boat passing from Laland to Falker, which he took, and in it the Danish Admiral Lindenome, and several Letters defigned for Coppenbagen, containing the true state of the Militia of the two Islands. The Prize being brought to the King, heupon firider examination commanded the Fort to be battered, but feeing it was but to little purpose; by reason of the distance and difficulty to land, he removed to Coldberg, where the Streight is narrowest and deep; so that bringing his Ships near the Shore, he forced the numerous Defendants, by his continual thundring of great and small shot upon them, to quit their station, and make place for his men to land, which they quickly did. The Country men threw down their Arms, and hid themselves in the Wood, whilest the Souldiery being closer pursued, was overtaken at Nycopping, and three hundred of them, who could not get foon enough over the passage, forced to submit to the Enemies mercy. Falster being thus subdued, the King in pursuit of his Victory, resolves to Attack Laland, the fruitfullest of all the Danish Islands. He therefore returns to Coldberg again, with fix men of War, and feveral Carriage Boats, and coming up close to the shore, for it is very deep there, began to play upon the Enemies Works. The noise of the Cannon brought the Islanders together, to the number of near five thoufand, but all could not hinder the Swedes to land under fayour of their Guns. They also mastered the aforesaid Works, which were open to the Land fide, which fo terrified the Enemy, that they were at a fland what to do, until the King caused Proclamation to be made by found of Trumper, that the Inhabitants should retire to their feveral dwellings, for he would use no hostility, but against such as were found in Arms. Hereupon they all retired, and left a free paffage for the Swedes to land with all their forces. Only Naskow did dare to put a stop to the Enemies Cariere and Victories: For the Town being well fortified, and filled with the Souldiers that had retired thither out of Falfer, and all the parts of the Island; and furnished with an immense quantity of Corn and other Provisions, feemed able enough to hold out a very long Siege; and truly it cost the Enemy much pains and time, as will hereafter appear, before they could take it. The King having thus mastered these Islands, dist

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found Corn enough in them to suffice a great Army for a year. He therefore sent two thousand Tuns of Rye, and one thousand of Barley into Funen, where the want was greatest, and vicanalled his Fleet for fix Moneths besides.

Whilest the King was thus ordering his affairs in Laland, another part of his Forces were employed in the conquest of Ment, where the refistance was greater, than in any of the greater Islands. Matjor Schroder commanded there, assisted with a hundred Horse, and five hundred armed Boors. The Swedes were at first bravely beaten Apr. off, and obliged, by reason of the shallowness which hindered their Ships to approach the Shore, to quit their defign for the prefent, In the mean time, the Garrison was strengthened by the addition of a Company of Foot from Coppenhagen, which apprehended the danger most, this Island lying nearest to it, and readiest to affist it. But the Enemy, watchful upon all occasions, had caused new fashioned Carriage-boats to be made at Nycopping in Fal Ster, each of these held fifty Horse in their Hull or Bottome, and as many Foot upon the Decks, which were environed with thick plancks, made Breast-work wise, and Musker proof. These Vessels were so flat, that lying level with the shore, the Horsemen mounted might easily get out; whilest the Foot facilitated their passage if there were need, with their shot from above as out of a Fortress. These Cafile-boars, being ready and filled with Souldiers put off, and making towards the ordinary Landing-place, drew all the Enemies forces this ther to oppose them, which they observing, suddenly changed their Course, and directing it to an unusual quarter, rowed with that violence, that they rushed on shore, and landed all their men, maugre the feeble resistance of the Defendants, who were indeed but few. There was an Inlet of the Sea betwixt that place which the Islanders guarded, and that other where the Enemy landed, fo that before the Governour could get thither to oppose their descent, they were got into Battalia, and yet he charged them bravely, but being wounded himself, and seventy of his men slain upon the place, he was forced to yield the Victory, and the price of it the Island, to his more numerous Enemies. And thus all the Islands fell into the Swedes hands, and all the Kingdom likewife, except Coppenhagen, shrewdly shaken with the loss of its obeying Provinces. The City was likewise blockt up on all sides, the Camp keeping them from any Communication by Land, and four, sometimes five of the Enemies Ships befreging their Haven by Sea, to that nothing matetial could enter in or out, withour the Adversaries leave. This caused a great dearth within, which lasted all the Summer, and might have continued longer to the ruine of that Noble City, if they had not been relieved by the coming of the Datch

General Wrangel had hitherto held the City of Naskow close belieged, and having taken the Islet before the Town, and the two Forts in it, which secured the passage by water, straightened

it so, that the succours designed for the relief of the besieged, however affisted by the Dutch Fleet, could not enter. Wrangel hereup-May on fummons the place, adding threats to his invitations, which the 23. Garrison rejected, with no less courage than constancy. The Marshal General was loth to leave the Work he had so well begun unfinished, but being called to a more weighty employment, he was forced to quit it, and haften to the defence of Funen, so much menaced, and so often attempted by the Confederates, as hath been already related. The Garrison was glad to be rid of this valiant adversary, but their joy did not last long, for Field Marshal Steynback being fent to succeed him, and not ignorant in whose place he came, was heightened with the example. He therefore pressed the Besieged with all his industry; and having got all things necessary for forcing of the place, approached, battered, and mined it, with that violence, that the Garrison unable to resist any longer, was constrained Fully to surrender. Thus this considerable place wanting powder, and hopelefs of relief, fell into the Enemies hands, who proud with fo fignal a Victory, fent most of their Troops to profecute the Siege of

Coppenbagen.

And thus we have hitherto continued our observations of what happened at Land. Neither did the Sea want its contests, though less bloudy, whilest those two Potent Commonwealths, of England and the United Previnces, made preparations equal to their Grandeur, for the carrying on of their feveral interests, under pretence of affifting their Allies. The truth is, the Trade of the Baltick and free paffage of the Sound, exclusive each to other, was the ground of their jealousie, and the design of their Arms. The conrests between the Swede and Dane (remaining as it were) in aquilibrio, it was generally believed; that which Statesoever could first fend from home a confiderable Fleet, would carry the business, and compose the business of the Sound to their own mind. Yet it is worth the noting, in this main end of theirs, what great advantages the Datch had over the English; for by affishing their Ally the Dane, if they prevailed, and ruined the Swede, they looked for no less than an absolute Guardianship as it were of the Crown, both by their Land and Sea forces, and in confideration of their lent moneys; to have been their own security fer passing the sound, and imposing a restriction upon any else at pleasure, and so engross the Navigation and Commerce of the Baltick Sea to themselves: Whereas England by affifting their Ally the Swede, and helping him to conquer Denmark, could not affure to themselves the benefit they looked for, but must remain precarious, and stand to the courtefie of a potent Monarch, whileft they had but his bare faith plighted, to give them equal priviledges with Swedes, to pass the Sound Toll-free, and to have their Enemies excluded the Trade of the Baltick. Both States therefore prepare their Fleets, each of forty men of War. The English (as is already mentioned) had about the latter end of the last year, sent a Fleet towards Denmark, but that

being by reason of Tempests, and the unpassableness of the Seas, full of sholes of Ice, unable to advance, was obliged to return. The Winter being past, General Montague was sent thither with a second, no less useful for service, being very well fitted for War, and well manned, with betwixt nine or ten thousand men (but no

Land forces) then glorious for oftentation.

The English Fleet was got ready with that expedition, that it put to Sea a Fortnight or three Weeks before the Dutch, which bred no little jealousie in them, sceing their Rivals ready before them, and that with such powerful Forces; however Mr. Downing then Resident at the Haque had assured them, that the English Fleet Apr. 6. which was gone towards the Sound, had no Orders to use any kind of hostility against their Shipping, but only to endeavour the procuring of a Pacification betwixt the two Crowns. And it proved fo, though the States were hardly induced to believe it; And yet they will not now (making a vertue of necessity) seem to wish it otherwife, so that their preparations moved slower, at least in appearance; whilest they gave out, that they did not need to make hast, being Denmark was secured in the Neutrality of that present power. General Montague having Rendevouzed in Sould Bay, weighed March the twenty seventh of March, and arrived in the Sound at an Anchor between the Island of Ween and Cronenburg Castle April 6. And 1659. And by agreement between the King of Sweden and the English Ad- Apr. 6. miral, neither Flag was stirred, but born aloft, and the three Flagthips as they passed by the Castle, saluted it (where the King and Queen were in person) with 21, 19, and 17 Guns. Every other Ship gave only a Volley of small shor, which were answered (Flags and all) only with two Guns, each according to the Custom of Sweden.

The Instructions given to General Montagne, I have thought proper to insert here, being they will give great light to the fol-

lowing passages of that Summers action.

Hereas upon consideration had of the state of Affairs in the Eastern parts, and particularly of the War saln out betwixt the two Kings of Sweden and Denmark; which hath greatly disturbed the Navigation, and Commerce of this and other Neighbouring States, and distracted the Affairs of the greatest part of Europe, We thought it necessary to use Our best endevours, for composing the said War, and thereby to remove the manifold Evils, and Inconveniences which depend thereupon; And to that purpose, gave directions to Sir Philip Meadow Our Envoy Extraordinary with the King of Sweden, to offer Our friendly Mediation to both those Kings, and to contribute his utmost diligence; for setting a Peace between them; Giving him such surther Instructions as We sound necessary for that occasion, a Copy whereof (they bearing Date the ninth of December last) is herewith delivered unto you; And whereas since that time, there hath been

a Treaty made and concluded on betwixt Us, and the King of France (a Copy whereof is also herewith delivered you) touching the faid Affairs, which both States finding to be of lo great importance to their respective Countries and Dominions, and the Interest thereof; They judge that it concerned Them in a joynt way, and by joynt Counsels to apply the most effectual remedies that could be thought of, for composing the faid War; And therefore did agree by the faid Treaty, to offer their joynt Mediation to those two Kings, for procuring of a Peace betwixt Them, as also their Garranty for securing thereof in case it should be accomplished; With a mind also to accommodate the differences betwixt the King of sweden on the one fide, and the King of Poland, and the Elector of Brandenburg on the other; And for the better effecting of the mutual intentions of these two States, It was further concluded by the said Treaty, that all endeavours should be used, for disposing the States General of the United Provinces, to co-operate with England, and France in this good Work; And accordingly, as well We as the King of France, have given Instructions to Our respective Publick Ministers, both at the Hagne, and with the faid Kings of Sweden, and Denmark, to profecute and promote the aforefaid good Intention, which We hope will have the iffue that is defired, and that such a Peace will be setled in those parts where to great and powerful Armies both by Land and Sea are engaged) as will be for the security of the common Interest, and in particular of this Commonwealth; And having on these grounds fent a Fleet towards those parts the last Winter, which in respect of the season of the year, was not able to perfect the intended Voyage, We have now judged it necessary upon the same Grounds, and to the same ends as are before expressed, to send a Fleet under your Conduct and Command, into the Sound and Baltick Sea.

You are therefore on the receipt of these Our Instructions, and of the other papers herewith delivered, to repair to Our Fleet prepared for this Expedition, a List whereof is hereunto annexed, and upon your coming aboard, you shall (by Gods blessing and assistance) with your first Opportunity of Wind and Weather set sail for the parts aforesaid, and having come thither, shall follow and pursue the Instructions, following, viz:

I Tou shall immediatly upon your arrival in the Sound, send to Sir Philip Meadow, as also to our Envoy with the King of Denmark, if he be there residing, and receive from them a true and perfect account, of the state of the affairs of the several Princes engaged as aforesaid, and what effect our Mediation hath had, and whether it be probable that a Treaty and Peace will ensue, on the Terms wherein you shall find affairs to stand at your arrival.

2 Ton shall either by your self, or by the hand of Sir Philip Meadow, as

pou shall find it most convenient, let both the Kings of Sweden and Denmark know, that you have brought the Fleet into these parts by Our command, as a common friend to both, and with desires to procure a Peace betwirt them; And that for the same parpose, you are ready to contribute all that lies in you, to remove those difficulties that lye in the way of Peace and secure Agreement betwirt them, We judging it to be their own Interest, as well as that of their Neighbours and Allies, that the present War between them, should be put to a speedy end, And that We cannot understand how the same can be continued, without extream danger, as well to themselves, as to the present interests of their Allyes.

If a Treaty be begun between them before your arrival, you shall do what you can to bring the said Treaty to a Peace without delay, But if it be found, that either no Treaty is begun, or that the difference is such upon the Treaty, that no Agreement is like to be made there-upon, Then Sir Philip Meadow (as We have directed him by your Instructions to him) shall in Our name propound the Treaty of Rotschild to be the Terms of a Peace to be now setled between them, with such Alterations as shall be sound necessary, upon occasion of the War since falm out between the said two Kings, perswading both of them to center therein, as that which is the likeliest means (as affairs now stand) to put an end to this unhappy and unchristian War; And this you as Admiral of the Fleet shall also let both the Kings know. And also, that you shall be obliged by your Instructions, to oppose that Party, which shall refuse a reasonable Peace upon these grounds, We holding our self engaged to propound this Treaty, in respect We were one of the Mediators thereof.

A In case the said two Kings can be brought to a Treaty, then a Cessation of all alls of Hostility is to be endeavoured between them, in which Cessation is is to be expressed, that no part of the Forces under the Command of the Elector of Brandenburg, and that Consederate Army, be transported into Zeland, Funen, or any other of the Isles, where now the King of Sweden hath sooting, and that no relief of Men or Shipping, be put into Coppenhagen; nor any attempt made upon either of the said Kings, by the Forces of any Prince or State what-soever; And you are authorized to use your endeavours that the Terms of the said Cessation be observed, and to oppose whomsoever shall

go about to break the fame.

And whereas We find that One great difficulty which the King of Denmark, makes about treating separately with Sweden, is because of his engagement to his Allies, We have directed the said Sir Philip Meadow to let him know, That this Peace being once concluded, year whilest it is Treating, We shall use Our best endeavours to reconcile the King of Sweden unto the King of Poland, and the Elector of Brandenburg, and do not doubt, but something very effectivally may be done therein; But we conceive it of absolute necessity, in the sirst place, to agree the said two Kings, without which it is impossible to imagine that any peace at all can any way be concluded on: And we hope that

that the States General of the United Provinces will likewise agree herein.

6 You shall also take the first opportunity to deal very seriously with the King of Sweden, touching his present War in Denmark, letting him know that We apprehend it very dangerous both for him and all his Allies, in respect of the great Combinations that are made a-gainst him both by Land and Sea, which in all probability he will not be able to defend himself against; And that whosever comes in to his asistance, must expect to engage himself in a War with Holland, and those other States which are the Allies of Denmark, being a War which at this time this Nation is in no condition to engage in , nor is the Parliament now sitting , fatisfied so to do: And that therefore the Counsell which We as his true Friend and Ally, do find necessary to give him at this time, is, That he will apply himself to make a reasonable Peace with the King of Denmark, upon the Treaty of Rotschild, which We at his own defire did in some fort become the Garranty of; Letting him further know, that to case his Majesty shall not think fit to follow this Counsel. We cannot Satisfie Our self to give him any assistance, the consequence whereof will be so great upon this Nation; And in case the Dutch will be perswaded to say as much to the King of Denmark, We doubt not but matters will be brought to a happy iffue in those parts.

of In case the King of Denmark shall refuse to treat upon the Terms before expressed, you shall let him know, That although We have not interested Our self in this present War, but have carried Our self as Neuter betwixt him, and the King of Sweden; Tet now We find the Interest of this Commonwealth so much concerned in this War, That We held Our self obliged to make use of all the means God bath put into Our hands to put an end thereto; And that having done what lies in Our power, by Our Ministers, in a friendly way without success, We have found Our self necessitated to give assistance to the King of Sweden, as Our Friend and Ally, who having declared himself willing to make Peace upon the Terms of the Rotichild Treaty, We thuoght it not for the Common good, nor for the interest of England, to suffer him to be oppress and totally ruined, by the conjunction of so great and powerful Forces against him.

8 And upon this state of the case, and having by your self, or Sir Philip Meadow Our said Envoy, used your best endeavour as afore-said for making a Peace; And if the King of Sweden shall give satisfaction upon the Terms of Assistance, you shall then with the Fleet under your Command, assist the King of Sweden in a defensive way, in the manner expressed in the following Article.

or tou shall with the Fleet under your Command, either alone or in conjunction with the Swedish Fleet, hinder what in you lies, the transporting of any part of the Confederate Army, under the Command of the Elector of Brandenburg, or by whomees the same is commanded, into the Isles of Zeland and Funen, or into any other

of the places now possessed by the Swedes; And if any attempt shall be made to do it, you shall use the force that is in your hand to with stand and prevent it, by whom seever it shall be attempted.

the Dane, or by the Fleet of any other State, separately or in conjuntion with the Dane, you shall use the Force which God hath given

you to defend him.

the carrying of any Succour or relief into Coppenhagen, until the King of Denmark shall be willing to Treat upon the Terms expressed in the former Article, and are bereby impowred to fight with any such as shall endeavour to carry in any such relief, as aforesaid; and are also impowred to authorize such number of the Fleet as you shall judge necessary, under the Flag of Sweden, to joyn with the Fleet of Sweden, to pursue and assault his enemies, for the better ac-

commodating of the Termes of Peace as afore [aid.

12 And because Our intention is to manage this business by Counsel and Correspondence with the States General of the United Provinces, as also to prevent any further Engagement between the King of Sweden and the Lords the States in a Hostile way, We have directed our Resident at the Hague, to propound to the (aid States General, that they will joyn with England and France, in the making of this Peace, upon the grounds of the Treaty of Rotschild, and that in order thereto, they will not fend to the King of Denmark any assistance further, till the issue of Our joynt endeavours for a Peace be seen , nor go into those parts with a Fleet , to take part with any fide, which We have also expressed our self resolved to do; And have accordingly given you direction by the fore-going third Instruction: And have also desired of them to agree that their Fleet shall not fail into the Sound or Baltick Sea, ut remain in some convenient place without, in expectation of the Conclusion of the Peace, whereunto We hope they will agree, and give Instru-Etions to their Admiral to conform thereto, and to hold a good and friendly correspondence with you in the management of this business; you shall therefore in case you shall either meet with the Fleet of the said Lords the States at Sea, by the way thither, or shall arrive in the Sound or those parts before them, you shall hold a good and friendly Correspondence with them, sending to the Admiral, upon your first descrying of their Fleet at Sea, and letting him know, that you are come into those parts, to endeavour a Peace between the two Crowns of Sweden and Denmark, without taking either side, or glving assistance to either, if it be possible to make the Peace without it; and further, that We have ordered the Treaty of Rotschild to be propounded as the Termes of the Peace to be made between them, with such alterations, as are necessary, the management whereof between the two Kings, is left by Us to Our Publick Minister upon the places And that you hope be is come with the same mind and intentions,

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and that the Lords his Superiours, have given him Influctions to conform thereunto; And that he will accordingly declare himself, and joyn with you, for the making of this Peace, upon the terms aforefaid, in such a way as may be most likely to effect it, and prevent all jealousie between England and the United Provinces, whilest these endeavours are on foot. Ind in order thereunto, you are to desire the faid Admiral, That by agreement with you, he will not give any assistance to either side, either by Men, Ships, or otherwise, nor endeavour to go with his Fleet into Coppenhagen, or into the Sound or Baltick Sea, left further Hostility fall out betwixt the Swede and him, but that they will remain without the Sound and Belt, until it can be feen whether by your joint enacavours, a Peace may be concluded between them, or until some other certain way of management of this affair, may be agreed upon between you and him, conducible to the ends aforesaid; Engaging likewise to him, that you will give no assistance on either side, nor remove the station of the Fleet from the place which shall be agreed upon between you, until the issue of the Treaty be seen as aforesaid; But in case the Admiral or Commander in Chief of the said Dutch Fleet shall not hearken to these terms; But shall with their Fleet endeavour to go through the Sound or Belt, for the relieving of Coppenhagen, affaulting the Swedes Fleet, or giving other assistance to the Dane; or that the Danes Fleet with the Dutch Ships already there, shall endeavour to joyn with the said Fleet of the States General for the purpose aforesaid, you shall in any of those cases by way of assistance to the Swede, use your force for the hindring thereof.

13 Incase you shall find the Dutch Fleet and their new Succours for Denmark, to be arrived in those parts before you, and that they have relieved Coppenhagen, and joyned themselves to the Dane, contrary to those intentions and Propositions made in pursuance thereof, expressed to Our Resident at the Hague, you shall let the Dutch Admiral atso know your intentions of coming into those Seas, and desire him to joyn with you in the promoting thereof, according to the twelfth Instruction. But if that be refused, or delayed beyond what the nature and condition of affairs will admit, you shall give assistance to Sweden upon the Terms before expressed. Or, if whilest you are debating these things with the Dutch, or during the Treaty with Sweden about an assistance, any endeavours be used to transport the Forces under the Elector of Brandenburg, and to sight the King of Sweden, you shall oppose it by force, either by your self, or in conjunction with Sweden, by whomsoever it be at-

tempted.

And in respect there may many cases fall out, wherein We at this distance, and upon affairs subject to so great Changes and uncertainties, cannot give particular Instructions, you are in cases which are omitted, or not well explained, to have your eye in the determination thereof upon Our General scope, which lies in two things, to wit, the making of a good Peace between the said two Kings, wherein we defire a oode

a good Correspondence with the Lords the States General, and their Forces which shall be in those parts. And secondly, if it shall please God, to bring things to that pass, that you shall find your self obliged by the tenour of your Instructions, to give assistance unso Sweden, that you so manage it, that before you engage the Fleet in Action, the King of Sweden do agree and Authentickly ratifie the Treaty herewith delivered to you, lest that after any part of his work be done, he should result to do what in justice may be expected from him. However, for preventing of the transportation of the forces under the Elect. of Brandenburg as aforesaid, or for executing your 12th Instruction, you are anthorized to engage the Fleet, although the said Treaty should not be agreed.

King of Sweden, endeavour shall be used to settle things so with the King of Sweden, endeavour shall be used to settle things so with the King of Denmark and the States General, that the Treaty betwixt Denmark and this State may be observed, and that what soever advantages are granted to the States General in point of Trade and Commerce, may be likewise granted to this State, and the same security given to Us for the performance thereof; letting them know, that otherwise We shall be obliged to provide for Our own Interest, and this We have directed Sir Philip Meadow to transat, who shall also follow such advice, as you shall think sit to give him therein.

As to matter of salutes betwixt Our Fleet and the King of Swedens, as also for what will be necessary to be agreed touching the manner of your Conjunction with the Swedes, in case it shall fall out you joyn with them, you are to do therein what shall be found necessary and agreeable to the Honour of this Commonwealth, as you in your judgment and direction shall think sit.

17 You shall in case of meeting with any Ships of War belonging to any Forreign State in the British Seas, take care that the Honour of this Nation be preserved, by causing them to strike their Flag, and lower their Top-sail, as is accustomed, and in case of refusal, you shall compel them thereunto by force.

18 You shall take care to give Us frequent Intelligence of your proceedings, and of every thing that shall occur in those parts; That thereupon you may receive further direction, as shall be necessary, either touching your actions there, or returning with the Fleet; which yet you are to do; when the season of the year, the necessity of the Fleet, or other condition of affairs shall require; although you should not receive Our further directions therein.

19 In case it shall please God so take you away, or otherwise disnable you that you cannot intend this service, The Vice-Admiral of the Fleet is hereby impowred to execute these Instructions, until We shall give other order therein.

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20 In case the whole Fleet contained in this List be not ready, you shall proceed upon your Voyage, with such part of them as are ready to sail with you, giving order to the rest to follow after you.

Out of these Instructions it is observable, that the true Interest of England was then judged to be; First, to preserve Denmark from ruine, and the power of the Sound in his hand, as being a weaker Prince, whose Interest it would be not to impose upon his Neighbours, or if he did, it were easier reducing him to terms of reason; and therefore sincerely they endeavoured to re-establish the Peace of Rosschild, and save that King from the violence of the Swede and Menes of the Dutch, and to leave him a free Prince. Secondly, but if that could not be done, then as hath been touched before, they chose rather to help the King of Sweden, and take his word for their share in the benefit of the Conquest, than that the

The English being come thus first into Denmark, resolved to hinder De Ruyters conjunction with Opdam (who had Wintered in Cop-

Dutch should grapple all into their hands and power.

penhagen, and governed greatly in all their Councels and affairs) for tear their force might be superiour in the Sound: And therefore when the English Admiral was past the Schaw or Point of Schagen, (De Ruyter being not yet come out of Helland) he left three Scout-ships, one at the Schaw Point, another about Lezow and Awont, and a third at the Koll, all in fight one of the other, and the last in fight of the Fleet. He at Schaw had Order to meet De Ruyter there, and deliver him a Letter, wherein he defired him, that he would fignifie to him, that he would not give any affiftance to Apr. 4. either fide, by Men, Ships, or otherwife, nor endeavour to go 1659. with his Fleet into Coppenhagen, the Sound, or Baltick Sea, left further hostility should fall out betwixt the Swede and him, but remain with his Fleet without the Sound and Belt, until it might be feen whether by their joynt endeavours a Peace might be concluded, or until some other certain way of management of this affair, might be agreed upon between them, conducible to the ends aforesaid. And he engaged on the other fide (De Ruyter agreeing to the defires expressed in his Letters) that he would give no assistance to either fide.

The arrival of this great Fleet, was no less terrible to the Danes than acceptable to the Smedes, for these hugged themselves with the hopes of powerful assistance from their tried friends, whilest the other apprehended the carriage of a reconciled enemy. King Frederick being therefore doubtful of what might happen, gave notice to the States General by an Express, of the arrival of the English Fleet, consisting of thirty six men of VVar besides Fire-ships, in the Sound, adding his entreaties, That they would be likewise pleased to dispatch their promised Succours, whereby he might be at length delivered from the oppressions of his growing enemies. But neither the Smedes considence, nor the Danes sear did last long, for Montagne having sent his Cousin Mr. Montagne, and his Vice-Admiral, to salute King Charles, did likewise assure him by word of mouth; as he did King Frederick the next day after his arrival by Letters, that He was come with his Fleet to help to reconcile the two Kings, which

which he would endeavour with all his might, and in the interim neither affift nor offend either of them. The Danes railed with the April. Admirals friendly Message, were assured by Sir Phil. Meadow the En- 11. glish Envoy's confirming of it. He wrote in the same sence Montague had done before offering withall his Masters so often proffered Mediation, and having laid open the irreparable evils of a continued War, magnified the Peace of Rosschild, as most consentaneous to the present State of affairs, and the surest foundation of the future Treaty. But both Kings delayed their Answers, though he of Denmark did at length reply, that he did very willingly accept of the offered Mediation, the very name of Peace being most welcome to him, but he could not Treat, much less Conclude any thing, without his Allies and Confederates. The truth is, he abhor'd the thoughts of the Peace of Rosschild, and had obliged himfelf but lately, by a Treaty with the Emperour, the King of Poland, and the Elector of Brandenburg, to make no Peace with the Swedes, without mutual confent of the Confederate Princes.

King Charles seemed no less averse from the Treaty of Rosschild than the Dane, and however Montague did daily tamper with him, to encline him to it, yet his returns were all delatory, because he faw the English posted, so as he thought their reputation would never permit them to suffer the Dutch Fleet to fail by the sides of their Ships into Coppenhagen; and that then his work would be done gratis, if they were together by the ears, and he free from having figned any Terms for the benefit of England. The English Admiral on the other hand apprehending his danger, in being engaged to fuch a disadvantage, pressed his Majesty for a clear answer without delay, which not receiving, and withall finding that King preparing to be gone in person into Funen, where entercourse would be long and difficult, and continue this inconvenience; The Admiral fent him word, that he was forry he could not all that time know his Majerties resolution, and that now he was obliged to pursue some other instructions he had: and presently weighing Anchor sailed out of the sound, and posted himself in the Cattegat, between the Koll and the Town of Guildeley in Zeland. As his Fleet passed by Cronenburg, the King of Sweden fent Count Brake and Monfieur Post, two Senators of his Kingdom, to complement the Admiral. and wish him good speed in his undiscovered design, And within two hours after, fent another Boat to him, with an Instrument un der his hand and feal, accepting the mediation of England, upos the Terms of the Rotschild Treaty, which was in effect welcom to the English Admiral, although he had an important reason to remove the Fleet as he did, though he had hoped no other advantage thereby. For in the Sound where the Fleet was posted, it was found that the Current ran to violently and uncertainly, and differently in every small space of distance; and the breadth of the water was so little, that if the Datch Fleet had come, and he been obliged to fight, the place was such as no Pilot knew how to work a Ship

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a Ship in: And the other Station a breast of the Koll, was good Sea-room, and a steady Current (for in that place is discernable no tide at all) but if the Wind blow from the Ocean, the Current runs into the Sound, and if it blow out of the Baltick, then the

Current runs out.

The English Fleet thus posted, and having obtained the consent of the King of Sweden to the Rosschild Treaty, the Admiral agains enforces the English Mediation upon the King of Denmark, who being bound up, and over-ruled by his Allies, refuses the Terms of the Mediation; whereupon the English Admiral, according to his Instructions, offers a Treaty of Assistance from England, to the Swede; which I thought sit to insert here.

Hereas there is a new and unhappy War, broken out betwixt his Majesty the King of Sweden, and the King of Denmark, and that fince the faid Rupture, the King of Sweden hathby his Arms got possession of the Town of Elzineur, and Cafile of Cronenburg, in the Isle of Zeland, and obtained thereby the Command of the Sound, and hath also beleaguered the City of Coppenhagen, yet with this mind and desire, to make and conclude with the King of Denmark, a good and secure Peace, And whereas, upon pretence of giving affishance to his Majesty the King of Denmark, there is a great and powerful Army, confifting chiefly of the Forces of the King of Hungary now Emperour of Germany, and of the King of Poland, already marched into Holftein and Futland, whereof they have already possession, defigning also to possess themselves of Funen and Zeland, and the Arength therein, which should they be able to effect, it would in all humane probability, prove the ruine and loss of the Proteflant Interest in those parts, and endanger the subversion thereof in all Europe, and also be to the destruction of Navigation and Commerce in the Baltick Sea, and the King of Denmark himself (whose affifiance they pretend) captivated into the hands of those whose interest obliges them to make a prey of him, and his said Majesty the King of sweden, having upon these grounds, and to the ends before expressed, and in this exigency of affairs (in pursuance of a Treaty made at London betwixt the two States, on the seventh of July Old stile, in the year of our Lord 1656, whereby it is in the first Article thereof (among other things) agreed, that it shall be lawful for either of the said Confederates within the Kingdoms and Countries of the other, to hire Ships, as well Men of War, as Merchant men, upon the Terms and Conditions therein expressed) defired the Assistance and ayd of his Highness the Lord Protector of the Commonwealth of England, Scotland, and Ireland, and the dominions and Territories thereunto belonging, and for the further fetling the Trade and Commerce betwixt the two States.

I it is agreed on either part, that for the affording of Ayd and Succour to His Majesty and Kingdom of Sweden, His most Serene Highness the Lord Protestor shall be obliged to send forthwith towards the Sound a Fleet of Ships of War.

2 That the said Fleet or Navy shall at the Charge of his said Highness and Commonwealth of England, &c. be equipped and fitted forth sufficiently, with all things necessary for such an expedition, and shall be also from time to time supplied for the keeping and maintenance of them in those Seas, until the twenty ninth of September

next.

The said Fleet being come into those Seas, they shall and a siste His Majesty the King of Sweden, in a Defensive way, that is to say; First, they shall do their endeavours to hinder any Forwaign Ships of War to joyn themselves with the Fleet of Denmark, under what Flag soever it be attempted, or on what presence soever. Secondly, for the hindering the transportation of any Souldiers or Forces belonging to the Confederate Army, under the Command of the Elector of Brandenburg into Coppenhagen, or any Islands of Denmark. Thirdly, for preventing of the carrying any Relief or Succour of Money, Visuals, Souldiers, or other provision of War into Coppenhagen. Fourthly, for the defence of the Swedish Fleet, in case they shall be assaulted at Sea, or blocks up in Harbour by the Dane, or any other in Conjunction with him, or separately from him.

A Forasmuch as His Highness and the Commonwealth of England will be at excessive charge in setting forth and managing the foresaid Navy, for the attaining the ends aforesaid: Therefore by way of Recompence, and satisfaction of the charges expended and to be expended: And in respect of the other bazards and dangers which may ensue to this Commonwealth by reason of this Commonwealth, from time to time Sailing and Subjects of this Commonwealth, from time to time Sailing and Trading, coming and going through the Sound, or Belt, shall not at any time be obliged to pay any Tribute, Tolle, or Custom, Duty or other Charge what soever, for either Ships or Merchandizes, to the King, or Kingdom of Sweden, or any of his Officers or Ministers what soever, but shall in their said Passage, and Navigation through the said places

be treated in manner following.

That upon the coming of any of the Ships of His Highness, and this Commonwealth, and the People and Subjects thereof, into those parts, and at their passage through the Sound or Belt, producing their Legal and Authentick Certificates to the Officers of the King of Sweden, and to such Officer or Officers as shall be appointed by His Highness to reside at Cronenburg, or such other place thereabouts, as His Highness shall desire, the Commanders, Masters, and other Officers of such Ships of this Commonwealth as shall so pass, shall on such Certificates page

to the Officer or Officers so to be appointed by His Highness, such Tolle and Duty as His said Highness shall think fit to appoint, which Tolle and Duty, shall be for the sole benefit of His Highness and this Commonwealth, in recompense of the said Charge and Hazards aforesaid: And upon payment of such Tolle or Duty, such English ships shall be suffered to pass without any stop or molestation.

That the People and Subjects of this Commonwealth shall in the Countreys and Dominions of the King of Sweden, which either now are in His possession, or hereafter shall come into His possession, pay no higher or greater Custom, or Duty, than the Subjects of Sweden at this time do, and be used in all other things as the

Subjects of Sweden at this time are.

7 That His Majesty of Sweden shall shut up the Sound; as also the Great and Little Belt, and all other Passages into the Baltick Sea, and prohibit all Commerce and Navigation through the same, to all such who shall be in Amity with those Confederates, or either of them.

8 That all the Ports, Rivers, Roads, Harbours and Countryes of Sweden shall be free and open for the English Ships and men to come into, reside in, and go forth of, from time to time as there shall be occasion, without any molestation, and shall be assisted and surnished with provisions and other necessaries, at the same rates that the People and Subjects of the King of Sweden are.

That all reasonable endeavours shall be used by these Confederates to withdraw the Elector of Brandenburg, and all other Princes and States from any conjunction with the House of Austria, and to

Unite them against the faid House.

30 That the said Fleet set out by His Highness, as aforesaid, shall be continued forth, for the purposes aforesaid, for so long time as the present season of the year shall permit, with respect to the safety of the Fleet and no longer.

The English Admiral was bound up, not to admit of any alteration in the Treasy, and the King of Sweden, how great soever his need of Englands help was, yet immoveably persisted in resulting to sign the Treasy upon these Points.

First, that he could not admit the English the Priviledges in Sweden that all Swedes have, because he alledged some fort of Ships were built there in a form particular to be useful in his Wars, and for lading Salt also, in consideration whereof they had special immunities. But he offered to make them equall with the rest of the Nation.

2 That he could not exclude their Enemies out of the Baltick Sea; For it was not possible for the English alone to suffice for the Commerce of it, and if they could, yet it was giving them

them to much advantage in Trade upon his own people, and all the bordering Nations upon the Baltick Sea to make them Monopolizers thereof.

Whilest these things are in discoursing in the Sound, the change of Government happened in England, and the English Fleet thereby taken off from the profecution of its first design, was made to wait the new directions of the Power then in possession; whose Interest differing from the former; seemed to espouse that of Holland;

by undervaluing the swedes to their very great prejudice.

But however affairs went in Denmark, the struglings at the Hagne were no less remarkable, which ended at length in a League betwixt the three States, to wit, England, France, and the United Provinces; Whereby they resolved to perswade or enforce, the warring Kings, and that against their wills, or without consulting with them, to a Reconciliation and Peace. The Articles of this Convention, wherein its Authours shewed, they no less minded their own, than their Neighbours interest, were in all nine. The first was, that a Peace should be made betwixt the two Kings, upon the foundation 1659. of the Rosschild Treaty. 2 That the second Article of the faid Treaty, by which all Forreign hostile Fleets were prohibited to pass the Sound, should be wholly exploded and left out, or so couched, that no Vessels or shipping whatsoever, belonging to any of the three States, should be comprehended in that restriction; but that on the contrary, they should be permitted to pass the said Streight at pleasure, without any let or interruption-Streight at pleasure, without any let or interruption. 3 That the English Fleet should not joyn it self to either of the two Kings Fleets, nor affift nor offend either of them, for the space of three whole Weeks, counting from the day that notice hereof was given to the Commander in chief of the said Fleet: And likewise, that the Dutch Fleet, which was to be fent for Denmark, should observe the same, and not joyn with opdams Fleet, who was also to act nothing in prejudice of the Swedes for the faid three Months time; and that the Fleet to be fent thither should not go to Coppenhagen, nor enter the Baltick Sea, either by the Sound, or by either of the two Belts. 4 That the faid three States, should withdraw all manner of ayd and fuccours, from that King who should refuse equitable terms of Peace, and continue fo to do, until he had declared the contrary. 5 That the three States should stand bound for ever, for the executing and keeping of the made peace. 6 That all Ships whatsoever belonging to the Subjects of the three States, as also their Merchandise and lading should be free, and exempted in the Sound, and both the Belts, from any new Impositions or Tolls. 7 That England and France should undertake to remove all diffidences and mis-understandings, artisen betwire the King of Sweden and the States General, and cause the Treaty of Elbing with its elucidations to be ratified. 8 That the three States should use their utmost endeavours to compose the War with Poland, as also the difference

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betwixt the Elector of Brandenburg and the Swedes. 9 Lastly, that the Articles of this Treaty should be ratified and duly observed by the three States. And thus this Treaty, notwithstanding the main opposition of the Emperor, the Danes, and the Brandenburgers Ministers, was agreed upon by the three States. But being those of England and France did refuse to sign it at present, under pretence of waiting further, and more plenary Orders from their Principals, the States General dispatched an Express to the King of April. Denmark, affuring him that their Fleet. notwithstanding the arrival of Forreign Fleers in the Sound, should follow, with the forty Companies defigned for his affistance, with all possible speed; and that they would omit nothing whereby they might remove that oppression that his Kingdom did at present groan under. There was no industry omitted for the hastening out of the Dutch Fleet all forreign Commerce and traffick by Sea being forbidden, and wholly prohibited, until the same were furnished with Marriners. This unusual Embargo did extreamly trouble the Merchants, especially the Green-land Farers, for the season to fish for Whales drew nigh, and the loss would be as well great as irrecoverable, if it were neglected. Seeing therefore that Seamen came but flowly in, as unwilling to engage in a War, where nothing was to be expected but blows, and that they would not be prest, as inconsistent with the freedom they pretend, they were forced to hire them at excellive rates, the price heightening, even to forty Guilders a man every moneth. At last, though with much ado, they levied twelve hundred Seamen, which were dispersed amongst the Navy, which by this time was ready, confisting of forty brave Ships of War. And now their Land-forces being likewise embarked, they fet sail towards Denmark. The Danis Agents which resided in Holland, had hired several Fluyts and Galliots, to carry provisions to Coppenhagen, and to transport the Confederate Armies out of Juland into the Iflands: but wanting both monies and credit, they were stayed behind, to the prejudice and dif-reputation of them who were concerned. Michael de Ruyter Vice-Admiral of Amsterdam had the present Command of this Fleet, for opdam was absent, and yet the Land Collonels pretended they ought not obey him, which rather than do, they proposed to pass in the quality of Passengers, but the States undertaking the decision hereof, ordered that the Vice-Admiral should preside in Counsels of War on board, but should fit below the Collonels at meat in the Cabbin. Being under fail, De Ruyter had Orders fent him (for the above-mentioned convention betwixt the 3 States was figned) to use no hostility, unless provoked, against any whosoever, for the space of 3 Weeks, not to enter the Sound, nor to joyn his Forces to Opdam's during the faid time. The same Orders were also sent to the two Admirals in Denmark, both of them being strictly enjoyned to attempt nothing until the expiration of the faid Truce: But being the time was wel-nigh expired, before the Admirals could have notice of these transactions

ons at fo great a distance, it was agreed upon that the Truce should take its beginning from the receipt of the Advice, and Letters which were fent them. De Ruyter therefore being advanced as far as the Islands of Lefow and Anhous, came to Anchor, where he staid whilest the Embassadours sent by the States General to both the Kings, continued their journeys to Cronenburg and Coppenhagen. The Dutch for all their vast preparations; considering the hazards and consequences of a War, wisely thought the way of Mediation the best, at least the safest, to appeale the troubles of the North. They therefore dispatcht their Embassadours to the differing Princes, to each two, but with a frong Fleet, an excellent way of interposing. There were who alledged, that in case the business came to blows: that fighting and the function of Embaffadours, whose errand was Peace, could not fquare, and fo would have had them go by Land; but that nicety being waved, they embarked, though not all at once, and therefore did not arrive at the same time in the Sound. The first (being likewise the first in Commission) that came to Crenenburg, was the Heer Slingland, Counsellour and chief Pensioner of Dort. He had given the Court notice of his approach before his landing, by a Gentleman of his train, and Letters to the King. Whilest he himself, having complemented the English Admiral by another, went himself on board him, where after a reception equal to his Character, he fell into discourse with Montague about the present constitution of affairs, though in general termes; for the Admiral being not then impowred (for the English Embassie was not as yet arrived) they did not descend to particulars. Slingland being returned to his Ship, received late that night an Answer from Court, which was, that he should be welcom, and received according to his dignity. There came with this Gentleman another, with a complement and civil Letter, from the Senator Rosenhaen, who brought him also a Pasport which he had not desired, and a large Declaration in answer to his Letter, which contained a recapitulation of Complaints against the States Generals proceedings, and continual thwarting of the Swedes interest. But he waved any particular debate thereupon, by advice of the other Embassadours designed for Coppenhagen, then with him, referving it to the States confiderations and orders, and being however admitted, he was conducted in the Kings Coach, with that folemnity which is due to Embaffadours, to the Lodgings defigned for his Reception, and three days entertainment. The Heer Haybert, Counsellour and Secretary to the States of Zealand, who had been joynt Colleague with slingland in Profsia, was also joyned with him in Commission here, but being he did not Embark as foon as the other, and that he spent fome time in giving the last Orders to the Chiefs of the Dutch Fleet, and in Conference with General Montague upon his; he did nor arrive in the sound, (where his Reception and Audience was the fame in substance with the other,) till three days after. But the Heeren Vogelfang Counsellour and Syndick of Amsterdam, and Ha

ren a Gentleman of Friesland, both, but more particularly deputed to the King of Denmark, arrived there the same day that Slingland did; they (as De Huybert also did) came in a man of War, and faluting the Castle with their great Guns, were repayed with the same civility. Being landed, they were conducted to Court with Ceremony, and admitted into the Kings presence, told him; that the States General were much troubled at the unhappy differences that were risen betwixt the two Nations, and that they were and always had been far from any thoughts of hostility against the Crown of Sweden, only had not been wanting to their Allies in their extremity, according to the Covenants made with them. They had therefore sent them their Embassadours, to renew their old friendthip with their old friends, and to endeavour to remove those misunderstandings and animolities which were at present betwixt both Kings. The King having answered in order to these particulars though in general terms, expressed himself no less desirous of Peace than the States. The Embassadours being dismissed, returned to their Ship, being waited upon thither with the same Ceremony they came, the next morning they failed to Coppenhagen, where they were received and treated with as much splendidness, as was posfible in a Town fo long befieged. Amongst other discourse, they acquaint the King with the Treaty concluded in the Hague, betwixt the three States, and feriously invite his Majesty to embrace the fame, as most agreeing with the present estate of his affairs. But the King having thanked them civilly for their former favours, protested solemnly, that he had rather hazard all, than treat upon the foundation of the Resschild Treaty, and that with the exclusion of his Friends and Allies: He therefore belought the continuance of their helping hand, as the true and fafest means to a wished Accommodation, Neither was the King of Sweden less averse from that hated Treaty, however pressed to accept of it, by the other Embassadours at his Court, And yet lest he might seem to do nothing, he ordered Commissioners to argue the case with them, but their Conferences proved for the most part fruitless, and there was no great appearance, to put an end to the War in the three Weeks time prefixed by the three States. In the interim, there was no industry omitted in the Fortifying of Cronenburg; the best part of the Town of Elzineur next the Castle was thrown down to make way for the new Works, and near a thousand Country people did labour day and night without any intermission in the raising of them-Koege, Corfest, and other places of Denmark, were likewise fortified, and the Camp before Coppenhagen strengthened by hightening the Walls, and enlarging of the Moat: By all which it appeared, that the Smedes had no mind to be discoursed out of their Conquests and warm Quarters.

order to the Truce, weighted Anchor, and being commanded by opdam, came with his Flere to Sample, that they might joyn with

more ease and at pleasure, when the three Weeks were expired. Opdam himself lay with his Fleet, and some Danish Vessels, betwixt Spro and Komps, expecting the expiration of the Truce, which was yet prolonged for three Weeks more. For Monsieur Nemport the States Embassadour in England, had made a new Cessation with the Usurpers there, and that without the knowledge of his Superiours. the Counsel of State there having absolutely insisted upon it, by reason their Commissioners designed for Denmark were not yet gone, and lest any thing might happen before they could get thi- June ther, prejudicial to the Peace they all so much defired. The States feemed unsatisfied with this unexpected agreement, but yet least they might seem likewise averse from thoughts of an Accommodation, they approved of it, and commanded their Admirals to obferve it, but with that restriction, that they should joyn Forces upon the expiration of the first three Weeks, and land their Land Militia in Coppenhagen.

In the mean time, whilest the English Fleet expected new Orders, an occasion happened wherein the English did the King of sweden a fingular good turn: For 28 fail of Swedish ships, very good ones, were gone under the Command of young Wrangel, into the lesser Belt, for the relief of Funen. Opdam and De Ruyter being newly joyned in the great Belt, were going to surprise this Swedish Fleet, the news whereof coming to the English Admiral, he prefently failed into the Belt, and there found the whole Dutch and Dawish Fleet about ninety Sail, pursuing the Swedish Fleet, and in fight of them. But upon discovery of the English Fleet the Dutch tackt, and pur themselves into the great Belt, before the English Fleet, and came to an Anchor near Komps Island, and the English off the Town of Callenburg; in the mean time, the Swedes delivered, in fight of both Fleets, failed away towards the Isle of Haselin, and fo for the Sound, where the King of Sweden questioned and imprifoned young Wrangel for his ill Conduct. The Dutch apprehending the English advance, made ready for Fight, and the allarm lasted until Montague's Ketch and Letters affured them, that they were friends, and had no other thoughts but of Amity and Peace. Hereupon followed all the demonstrations of kindness on both sides, the Generals complementing each other by their Vice-Admirals, and the several Officers of the Fleet, visiting, receiving, and feating each other, with all imaginable kindness and civility, and now the Cessation being already expired, the Chiefs themselves mentioned and concluded a further continuation of it for three Weeks more.

After both Fleets in the Belt had disputed some ten days, the explaining some terms in the Hagues Treaty, which the English Admiral made his pretence, to go to the relief of the Swedes, he weighed Anchor and failed by Haselin into the Sound, and came to an Anchor between Ween Island and Coppenhagen, shutting the Dutch out of the Channel, and expecting the coming of new Embassadours from from England, and lying in a Post advantageous to correspond either with Coppenhagen, or Elzineur, as occasion offered; whilest Opdam failed with his Fleet to Coppenhagen. The Danes who languished within their Walls, clamoured against these noxious Truces; the loss of Naskow heightened their murmurings and complaints, justly fearing, lest the whole burthen of the War might fall upon them, whilest the great power of their Confederates seemed but idle Spectators in their Tragedy. This moved the King to press the States by re-iterated Messages and increaties, that they would not fuffer Denmark to be wholly loft, and fuch vast and chargeable pre-

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parations to be rendred fruitles, by their re-iterated Cessations. The Enemy had in them, taken all the Islands, and Naskow it self in fight of their Fleet; so that he had nothing now left but Coppenhagen only, and that straitly besieged, by Sea and Land. He added, that the Swedes did fortifie the landing places of Zeland and Funen with all diligence; neither had they defifted from affaulting and taking the States own Ships in the leffer Belt; by all which it appeared, how little hopes there were to bring these to reason by Cessations and Treaties: He did therefore earnestly desire them, and that by vertue of the League betwixt them, that they would fend their Generals orders to obey his commands, and that until Denmark was delivered from the danger it was in, and the Enemy

July 1, obliged to embrace a defired and equitable Peace. Carifius the Da-22.22. nifb Resident in the Hague, urged the same by three several Memorials, but all could not perswade the States to recede from their late Conventions with the English and French. Monsieur De Thou had told them in their full Assembly, that if they did depart from the Treaty which they had concluded with so much difficulty, his King would also withdraw from the terms of Mediation, and help the King of Sweden, according to his agreement with the English, with all his power. But their greatest apprehensions were from the English, as nearest, and upon the place, not that they feared their Forces, for they were themselves double their numbers, but lest they should engage in a War, which might be easier begun than ended. But the apprehensions of the English and the French threats, did quickly vanish, for both Nations did ratisse the Treaty of the 21 of May, and the English Commissioners were daily expected at Elzineur.

That Bloody Faction, the difgrace and Fag end of a Parliament, who had murthered their Soveraign, had also now cashiered their pretended Protector, and having re-usurped a Tyranny over their fellow-subjects, and the most noble English Nation, swayed and domineered at pleasure: and thinking themselves now secure at home, extended their ambition (the only commendable thing they did) to forreign parts. Amongst others, the affairs of the North feemed most considerable, They therefore dispatched three Commissioners thither, Collonel Algernoon Sidney, Sir Robert Honywood, and Mr. Thomas Boon, to whom they were pleased to add

General Montague, as not daring to distrust him, because he commanded the Fleet. (Though they fent him no new Commission to be Admiral, when they did fend new ones to all the rest of the Fleet.) But they excluded Sir Philip Medow, who had hitherto managed the whole Mediation, as jealous of his affection to their Government. These Embassadours came with Instructions and Orders to mediate a Peace betwixt the warring Kings, upon the Basis of the Rosschild Treaty; they were also commanded to joyn Counfels, and means with the Datch, for the effecting of it according to the tenour of the Hagnes Conventions, which obliged a mutual communication betwixt the three States. These Embassadours arrived at Elzineur with a splendid train, where they were received and treated by the Swedes, with all manner of civilities and honour: June the King himfelf was not there, being gone to Naskow, then taken by his forces; they therefore stayed there in expectation of his return, but to loofe no time, had daily Conferences with the French and Dutch Embassadours, so that the whole Negotiation seemed to be carried on by common confent; the Swedes were troubled at this intimacy and familiarity, affirming that it was wholly unpracticable, that Embaffadours fent to a Forreign King, and not having feen that King to whom they were fo deputed, should in the mean time confer and treat with the Ministers of other States, not friends of the faid King, and that in his own Court or Camp. But the Kings arrival put an end to these murmurings; the English Commisfioners went to Fredericksburg where he was, and being received in by a party of Horse and some Gentlemen, which the King had fent to wait upon them, were conveyed to their Lodgings in the Kings Coaches, accompanied with the Coaches of thole Publick Ministers who were then at Court. Having reposed a while; they were led to publick Audience, which passed in congratulations and mutual expressions of friendship. After Dinner; being admitted again to the Kings presence, they unfolded the secret of their Commission, the sum whereof was, the story of the Hagues Treaty, which the three States had agreed upon and refolved to fland to: neither did they omit to tell him, with what industry and affection, they had promoted his Majesties Interest in the faid Convention. The King, who had expected better things from his friends he had so much relyed upon, was troubled at this discourse. He found also that the state of his affairs had been represented to them in a lower condition than they truly were in and that by fuch who either envied his felicity, or were ignorant of his condition: He therefore magnified, though modestly, the past and present, and making a Majesteous reslexion upon his own Person and Conduct; told them, He did not despair of a happy and a hoped iffue to his undertakings. After this, the Mediators did all they could by joynt Counsels, by communication of affairs, by several Conferences with the two Kings their Commisfioners, and by their utmost endeavours, to compose the vast breaches

breaches betwixt these diffenting Princes, but to little purpose; for the Danes would liften to no Accommodation, that did not restore them all that had been taken from them, and include their Allies; and the Swedes refused to stir out of Zeland, unless the Fortreffes and strong places of Denmark, were left them as Pledges for the observing of the future Peace. The time seemed to be spent not in treating, but in fruitless and quarrelsome contestations; King Charles caused a large Declaration to be delivered to the Dutch, wherein, beginning at the Wars of Poland, he put them in mind of the injuries and offences he had received from the United Provinces, not forgetting their Collusion, as he called it, about the Treaty of Elbing. The Dutch Embassadours on the other side, afferting their candor and defire of Peace, professed they were far from any thoughts of harm towards Sweden, proposing nothing to themselves but the security of their Confederates, and the freedom of their Commerce. About the same time, there were published two invective Manifesto's, by the two Kings Orders, against each other. They were both severe and harsh in their expressions, but being both are in print, I thought fit, in order to the brevity I propole to my felf in this Relation, and out of the reverence I bear to fuch great Princes, to omit any further mention of them. Whilest they thus cavil in Denmark, there was another Treaty concluded on in the Hagne, betwixt the three States, more advantageous for the Danes than the former, for Drontheim was restored to them, by vertue thereof, in compensation of the losses they had sustained by this last invasion. In this, as in the other Treaty of the 21 of May, the Ministers residing with both the Kings, were injoyned, that they should by joint Councels and Forces endeavour, and this in the space of fourteen days time, to conclude a Peace upon the Bafis of the Rotschild Treaty, except in what is excepted in this prefent agreement, or should afterwards be changed by consent of the two Kings. And lastly, that they should support and affist with all their might, that Prince which should declare for Peace, and compel the unwilling by force of Arms to accept of it. This Treaty was followed by another more forcible and nervous, wherein it was a-Aug. 4. greed, that if the fourteen days mentioned in the second Treaty were not begun, when this Convention should be delivered to the Ministers in Denmark, that then the said term should begin within four and twenty hours after the receipt thereof. And further, that the differting King should by the conjoyned Forces of England and the Low-Countries, be without any intermission of time compelled to receive and accept of Peace; this was the fum of this third Convention. But the States folicitous for Coppenhagen, lent fecret In-Aructions and Orders to their Officers in Chief, that however affairs went, they should have a care to conserve the same, and hazard all, rather than suffer it to be lost, or change Master. Neither were the English ignorant of this mystery, though they dissembled it, being no less unwilling than the Dutch, to fee this consider-

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ipiring Swede. King Charles full of fcorn and indignation, to fee the Law preicribed him by others, resolved not to treat but by the ordinary way of Commissioners. He did not absolutely reject the amicable interposition of the English and French, but would by no means admit of the Dutch, his Enemies and actually in Arms against him, until the old and usual friendship betwixt the two Nations were renewed. King Frederick on the other fide, professed he would do, much less conclude nothing, without the Mediators, especially the interposition of the United Provinces: although he did not deny, but that the Treaty begun and ripened by them, might be polished and brought to perfection by the Commissioners of both Kings. Charles would no thear of quitting of Drontheym, without an equivalent, nor be perswaded to determine any thing about the time of evacuation, or withdrawing his Army out of Denmark : and being urged to declare himself, grew angry, protesting though in private, that he being a King, and a Conquerour, and not inglorious, could not, nor would not suffer himself to be braved and controulled by two Commonwealths, whereof one had abdicated, and the other murthered their Prince. He was more in choller against the English than the other, because he expected more kindness from them than any. These he reproaches with parricide, and wonders they durst approach him, with their hands reeking with the bloud of their own Soveraign: They should therefore get them gone with their Fleet, out of the reach of his Cannon, unless they meant to try their violence. But this transport of rage and scorn, was but vented amongst his Confidents. What he faid to the Embassadours themselves in publick, some time after, was of no less consequence or noise. The Plenipotentiaries of the two Commonwealths, had with communication of the French Embassadour, framed a Concept or Form, which they called a Project (and which we will call so hereafter also) upon the Basis of the Rosschild Treaty, according to the Conventions agreed on at the Hagne. This Project or Instrument of Peace. they first presented to the King of Denmark, who received ir, and requiring time to deliberate upon it, promised an answer. The Embaffadours hereupon went the fame day to the Camp, and having obtained Stene Bielke the Swedish Embassadours liberty, (for he Ang. had been thus long detained prisoner at Coppenhagen) took him with them, fancying that so great a present would render their coming more acceptable. Being entred the Kings Lodging, and in the Anti-Chamber, his Majesty after a little stay came out to them, where Collonel sidney, accompanied with all his Colleagues, and the Dutch Embassadours (for the French had withdrawn himself) after a profound Reverence, prefented him a Rowl of Paper, being the aforesaid Project. The King asked what Papers they were : sidney answered, that they contained the delires of the three States. But the King replied with a stern countenance, if it be the Project

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for Peace, I will not receive it: And adding, told the English; as for you, I will not refuse your Mediation, as long as you continue in the terms of friendship, but will suffer no Arbitrators: And then turning to the Dutch subjoyned, as for you, being you are my Enemies, I absolutely resuse to receive you as Mediators: and to them all, You make your Projects in your Fleets, and I (clapping his hand upon his Sword) wear mine at my fide. Having faid this, he left the Embassadours, and turning suddenly from them, went to the other fide of the room. The Dutch Embassadours following him faid, we are not your Majesties Enemies, and shall prove your best friends. The King looking fiercely upon them, answered, my Embassadours are unworthily used and you are suffered to go and come at pleasure. Slingland replied to this, We need fear nothing from a generous Prince; and the King abruptly, I have no great refentments of generofity for such Enemies. The Embassadours would not provoke the offended King any further, but retiring with a profound and respectful Reverence, left the presence; where His Majesty having given Bielke his hand to kiss rallied with his great Officers, most of them having been present at this audience, upon this unufual rencounter. This indignity offered the Embassadours, was seconded with another, though not so confiderable. They were scarce got into their Coaches, when it was told them, that the Trumpeter who waited upon them, was thrown into prison. Being surprised with this Novelty, they fent me to the King to complain of this violence, and breach of the Law of Nations. But the Trumpeter was immediately released, and his detention excused, having happeaed without the Kings knowledge, and done by the Generals command, not with an intent to affront the Embassie, but because he belonged to the Garrison of Coppenhagen, which was very true,

The Danes were over-joyed with this ill treatment of the Embaffadours, fancying that the Dutch would now employ their Forces against the common Enemy, without any further intermission, as well in revenge of their own injuries, as to affift their Confederates. In the mean time, Posts were dispatched into all parts, with the news of this encounter, the circumstances of it being aggravated, according to the feveral passions of the interessed. The States General were most netled at it, as being most concerned, and did not fail to exaggerate the affront done to the Embassadours of the three States by their Ministers in England and France, as an indignity common to them all. But the Mediators, how ever ill received at their former Audience, did not yet despair of a desired issue to their negotiation. They knew the King of Sweden was not wholly averse from Peace (for he had several times professed he had not espoused his Conquests, provided he did not quit them without a compensation) but from the manner of compassing it; and he was not against the officious intervention of Mediators, though he could not endure the Umpirage of their Arbitration. The Dutch

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therefore seeing that he would never admit of their Mediation, unless the ancient Correspondence and Amity betwixthim and them were first restored, drew a form of reconciliation, which should put an end to all their former misunderstandings and Controversies, and sending it to Rosenhaen by the French Embassadour, wrote also to him, that they purposed to come to the Camp, to perfect the Treaty of Elbing and its Elucidations, and also to endeavour to accommodate the differences betwixt the two Kings. But being they perceived that the King of Sweden looked upon the States as parties, and their Ministers for that reason, as improper for the Negotiation in hand, and that it seemed not good to His Majesty, to affent to the aforesaid elucidations, before the difference betwixt himself and the States General were removed, and the ancient friendship betwixt the two Nations restored: and being they doubted whether their coming to the Camp at that time might be acceptable or nor, they thought good to fend an Instrument of reconciliation, with a promife that they would fign it as foon as the

Peace betwixt the two Kings was concluded.

The day following the Dutch Embassadours being informed, that the King had not only laid by his choller, but that also he desired their return to his Court, fent me to him, to know whether their coming to the Camp, would be agreeable to his Majesty or not: And whether they should be received according to their dignities, in case they came? I being returned, and having brought word that all was as they defired, the Heeren Slingland and Huybert went to the Camps where being civilly received by the Courtiers, they were immediatly introduced into the Kings presence; where having first condoled with him for the death of the Duke of Holsteyn his father in Law, they urged what concerned the illustrations of the Treaty of Elbing, the Peace betwixt the two Crowns, and the reconciliation betwixt His Majesty and the States General. They most insisted upon the present Treaty, and pressed the King, that he would be pleased to declare himself as to the main heads of it, and grant his Letters of fafe conduct for the Danish Commissioners, in such manner and form as was required. The King answered, that he defired nothing more than to cultivate the ancient friendship betwixt Sweden and the United Provinces, and had therefore fent Coyes his Embassadour Extraordinary into Holland, to represent to the States General themselves, the candor of his intentions in that particular. As for the Peace, he was not averse from it, provided it were fafe and honourable; only he believed that the business would advance best, if it were carried on by Commissioners of both sides, according to the usual method betwixt the Northern Crowns. The Conference being done, the Embassadours returned to Coppenhagen, being followed by Monsieur Terlen the French Embassadour, who brought with him the defired Pasports for the Danish Commissioners. There was no little difficulty on both fides, about the titles of the two Kings, to be inferted in the said Pasports. The Danes refused

refused to acknowledge the new Duke of Schonen, and the Smedes would not relinquish their acquired honours; but a middle way being proposed by the Dutch was embraced by both, to wit, that King Charles should only write himself King of Sweden, and King Frederick only King of Denmark, without any further additional titles, on either fide. The Letters of fafe Conduct being granted by the Swedes, others of the same tenour were required from the Danes, which they differring to give under pretence of new difficulties, were pressed to it by a Memorial, delivered to their King by the Commissioners of the two Commonwealths. In it, they desired His Majesty, being the Treaty could not begin, much less be concluded, without the required Pasports for the Swedes Commissioners, that he would forthwith grant them, left the procrastination of the fo much wished for Peace, should lye at his door. The King having received this Writing, and the Swedes fafe Conduct with it, sent also his, writ in Danish, by the Lord Peter Redts one of his Senators, to the Mediators; with a Declaration, wherein he professed that he would send Commissioners to perfect the Peace with the King of Sweden, provided the faid King would declare his mind concerning the further Contents of the present Declaration. But being there were several Clauses in the said Declaration, not only offensive to the King of Sweden, but also displeasing to the English and Dutch, besides the stop it was like to put to the Treaty it felf, the King was again earnestly defired both by Word and Writing by the Mediators, that omitting his late Declaration, its conditions, and restrictions; he would be pleased to send his Commisfioners to the place appointed, infructed with fuch powers, and authority, as should be necessary for the happy Conclusion of the prefent Negotiation, left (which they did abhor to think on) they should be necessitated to judge that he had no thoughts of Peace, being he refused the means by which it was to be effected. The King feeing himfelf so sharply pressed by the Mediators, did at length deliver them a more satisfactory Declaration, whereby he did confent to all that was defired, as far as agreeing with the Decrees of the three Sates, of the 11 of May, 14 of July, and the 25 Jul. The French Embassadour went the same day to the Camp, with this Declaration and Letters of fafe Conduct, and though the Swedes defired fome things in them to be changed, that was also affented to. The day following the Lords Rosenhaen and Bielke came from the Camp, and the Lords Pasherg and Magnus Hoeg, from the City, and met in the Tents pitched about the mid-way betwixt the City and Camp: the Deputies of the three States were likewife alsifting at this Conference, in whose presence the two Kings Commissioners having faluted each other in their proper idioms protested their mutual defires and endeavours for peace: the Danes did mainly urge, that the most material things should be first treated on, and that without delay; and having delivered a Paper to the Swedes,

demanded, that being the King of Denmark had been unexpected-

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ly invaded, even then when he hoped to enjoy the real effects of the Rotschild treaty; that the King of Sweden should forthwith restore unto him all the Provinces, Lands, Forts, Places and moveables, which he was obliged to furrender by vertue of the faid Treaty. 2 That a just and equitable satisfaction be made in lieu of all the vast losses which they had suffered by this last Invasion. 3 That the evacuation of all those places to be restored should immediatly follow. 4 That all the Danish Captives, and such who had been transported out of the Provinces subject to Denmark (for the Swedes had pressed and sent some thousands of the Danish youth into Prusfia, Liefland, and their other remote Conquests) should be set at liberty. And lastly, that the King of Denmarks Confederates should be duly included in this Treaty. The Swedes on the other fide, did urge that a more fit place should be chosen to treat in, and that the parties should agree upon the manner and form of treating, before they entered upon the business it self. As for the Mediators, they would not retule their Amicable intermedling in greater difficulties; but if they intended to direct or decide matters, by vertue of their Hazues Conventions, or any other pretext what soever, they professed it could not be, as being a thing without example, and not to be admitted by the Kings themselves, without a manifest intru-fion upon their dignities and honour. Two days after they met again, and the Treaty of Rotschild was reassumed and read by the Commissioners of both sides, but being there arose several contests about its third Article, the explication of it was referred by the Danes to the Mediators: these taking hold of the occasion, went to the Swedes into their Tents, and delivering them the projected Treaty which they had formerly presented their King, defired them to recommend it to His Majesty, and entreat his speedy answer to it; the Swedes Commissioners received the Treaty though not without some difficulty, with promise they would present it to His Majesty, and enquire into his pleasure concerning it.

The Dutch Commissioners seeing that the Dayes of Cessation from Arms was past (for they were as well Generals as Embassadours) wrote to their Admiral opdam; that whereas the King of Sweden had positively refused his Declaration for Peace, and that the King of Denmark had satisfied the defires of the three States, he should therefore make War upon the Swedes where he could meet with them, relieve the City, in as much as in him lay with provisions, and hasten De Ruyter whom they daily expected, with all possible speed. In the last Hagues Convention, it was agreed; that the Plenipotentiaries of both Commonwealths, should deliberate and determine amongst themselves, what force and what number of Ships they thought sufficient to carry on the design in Denmark, and that the rest, as superfluous and extream expensive, should be sent to their respective homes again : the truth was, the Dutch Embassadours had Orders, not to dismis above twenty of their Ships, nor those but with this precaution, that the remaining

should be sufficient to execute the Convention of the twenty fourth of Fuly, neither should the said Ships be Licensed but with the English, not before them, and by no means after them; and that the number of the dismissed Vessels, should by no means exceed that of the English, but if possible be less. The English ignorant of this, pressed that the precise number of Ships which were to Winter in Denmark, should be determined, but being the Dutch seemed unwilling to divide their Fleet as yet, General Montague declared in the name of his Colleagues, that being the Dutch Commissioners would not define, according to the Conventions betwixt the two Commonwealths, how many of their Ships should joyn with an equal number of English men of War, and how many of both Fleets should after the said conjunction be returned home, they were resolved, wanting also provisions for so great a multitude, to send their whole Fleet back into England. This, he faid, they did not with an intent to depart from the Conventions betwixt the two Commonwealths, or that they had any new defign on foot, but really forced to it through want of necessaries, for the sublistence of fo great a Fleet. The Dutch seemingly endeavoured to divert the English from this resolution, and shewing them where and in what manner, they might procure what provisions they pleased, they befought them, being the common Interest was to be carried on with common and conjoyned power, they would not withdraw theirs, feeing that could not be without a diminution of the dignity and credit of the two Commonwealths, a weakening of their Mediation with the two Kings, and a manifest retarding of the present Negotiation. After this, several Propositions were made concerning the number of Ships to be left behind, and the English were invited to leave only fifteen of theirs, whilest the whole Dutch Fleet continued there until further Orders from the States General, but yet with this restriction, that they should attempt nothing without communication of Councels with the English Plenipotentiaries, and being the English were averse from such odds, and so unequal forces, as neither fafe nor honourable, the Dutch offered them a folemn Instrument of Assurance under their hands and seals and that one of their Commissioners should (as a further testimony of their candor and fincerity) not only trust his person in the English Fleet, but continue in the same, to communicate Councels with Montague, and deliberate of what should concern the generality of their affairs, according to emergencies. Sidney did here-Sept. 5. upon confess, that they had no Orders to fend away their Fleet at all, but on the contrary, commands to observe the Hagues Convention. But Montague, of whose mind Honniwood and Boon also was, being urged to declare himself, answering very ambiguously, broke the conference, and next day leaving Coppenbagen, went to the Sound, and having saluted King Charles at Cronenburg, where he was royally treated, and all his chief Officers and Captains honoured with Presents, he sailed with his whole Fleet towards England

England, then full of Commotion and tumule. The fudden departure of the Admiral, surprised and troubled the minds of all parties: The Swedes were grieved that the Sound, their Havens, and the Sea, lay now open to the prevailing Dutch, whilest the Danes interpreting all things in the worst sense, fancied that Montague was therefore gone, because he would not now war against the Swedes, now openly refusing Peace; and that all those Truces extorted hitherto from the States General, had been prolonged in favour of their Enemies. The Dutch also seemed to condemn this with-drawing of the English, as happening contrary to their Treaties, and even then when they were to act by vertue of them. But this was but in outward shew, for they did inwardly rejoyce that this Imperious Fleet was gone, and they at length at liberty to act without controul. But Sidney and his Colleagues were more really troubled at the absence of their Forces, not being ignorant how weak their difputes were like to prove against an armed Mediation. They were also more nearly grieved at the Admirals return, as sensible of the great forces he commanded, and his averseness to the present Government. And truly they were not deceived, for whilest all England, weary of the tyranny of the Regicides, prepared to vindicate their Liberties by Arms, requiring tacitely their Prince, but openly a Free Parliament. Montague being invited and commanded by the King of Great Britain, into whose grace and favour he had lately been restored, hastened thither with his Naval forces, to assist those just, however unfortunate endeavours,

The day after Montague's departure, the Commissioners met again in the Tents, where the Danes demanded an Answer to their former Proposals, declaring withall, that their King induced by the defires and perswasions of the Mediators, had consented to, and would willingly accept of their Project for Peace, fo far forth as it agreed with the Hagues Conventions. They therefore defired to know whether the King of Sweden had likewise done it, protesting they would otherwise proceed no further. The English and Dutch Embassadours pressed the same, urging the Swedes to declare, what Orders their King had given, in answer to their just Propositions. Resenhaen being thus put to it, replied, that they had indeed delivered their King the Mediators Project, professing further that His Majesty would omit nothing on His part for the compassing of an equitable and honourable Peace; to which end he declared, that the Mediatours endeavours should be most acceptable to him, provided they interposed only when they were required, and that as friends, not Arbitrators; leaving the disposing of affairs, to the Commisfioners of both Kings. This he faid was His Majesties resolution, who could not chuse but wonder, to see that a Treaty made at the Hazne, by the three States, and that without his knowledge, should be also obtruded upon him, and that without his consent. He further added, that it was a thing wholly unpractical, that Commonwealths should prescribe Laws to Kings at pleasure, and never heard

of in History, that Mediatours should undertake to press or compel dissenting Princes, even against their wills, to accept of their tancies and conceptions, as Laws. This therefore being so, his Majesty could not answer to those kind of proposals: But if they would treat after the old fashion, and according to the method hitherto observed betwixt the Northern Crowns, he did not doubt, but the way to the so much defired Peace, would be plain and easie. Monsieur Terton the French Embassadour, arrived there at the same time, and declared to the Mediators, that the Commissioners had truly and fully told them the Kings sense, in order to the present transaction, as he himself had understood it from His Majesties own mouth at Cronenburg, from whence he came; adding, that he was very angry with Rosenbaen and Bielke, for receiving their Projest without his orders, and had not pardoned them, if

he had not mainly interceded for them.

The Dutch Embassadours being returned to Coppenhagen, sent Orders to De Ruyter and Everson, to act with all their Forces both by Sea and Land, against the Swedes, and make war upon them, whereever they met with them. The next day they gave the English and French Ministers notice of what they had done, which could not at all (as they affirmed) retard the Peace, which was (being it could not be procured otherwise) to be thus sought for according to the intention of the three States. In the mean time, they perswaded them to continue their endeavours, and that with joynt advice, to which also they would contribute their utmost. As for the meetings in the Tents, they declared they could not, and that for weighty reasons, come thither any more, until it appeared that the Swedes did accept of the States Generals Mediation, and would receive their Embaffadours according to their dignity. The rest of the Mediators acknowledged that the Dutch had done nothing contrary to the Covenants betwixt them, and promised that they would not act as Mediators any more, but conjoyntly with them.

But the Treaty did not break off for all this: The English and French after Communication with the Dutch, meet the Swedes again; who propounded Rotschild or Elzineur, as fitter and more convenient places to treat in, which the Danes did not only oppole, but the Dutch also absolutely reject, being unwilling to remove so far from the City or Sea. Two days after, Sidney and Terlon returned to the Camp, to see whether the King of Sweden had yet given any Answer either to the Danes Demands, or to the Propositions of the three States, but in vain, for the Swedes Commissioners did plainly tell them, that it would be but lost labour to insist any more upon this way, for the Danish Demands were couched in such general terms, that it would be to no purpose to Answer them so; and as for the Project proposed by the Mediators, they positively declared, that the King would hazard all, and venture his own life, rather than to submit to the dictates of others, being he could not do it, without infringing his honour, and his reputation. Lastly,

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they protested he desired nothing more then Peace, provided it were not imposed upon him, and proposed, (being the Tents were no fit place to treat and meet in, by reason of the cold and approaching Winter) that they should all go to Resschild, Elzinear, or Fredericksburg, as more proper for to celebrious an Assembly. The Mediators feeing the Swedes immoveable and resolved, defired the Sept King of Denmark, that he would be pleased not only to continue the 11, Treaty; which they did not yet despair of perfecting, but also to 12, change the place for one of those already proposed, as more conve- 134 nient. But the King replied, that this could not be, before the King of sweden had declared, as himself had done, that he would accept of that form which the Mediators had presented, and given his anfwer to the five aforementioned Articles. The Embassadours werenot well pleased with this Declaration of the Kings, especially the English and French, who seemed now to doubt whether of the two Kings was most refractory, or ought to be esteemed least desirous of Peace. Hereupon the Embassadours went again to Court, and pressed the King so far, that he was content, (though with much urging) to joyn the Lord Gesdorf, his chief Minister of State, to his other Commissioners; but upon condition, that the States Generals Fleet and Land-Forces, should continue to profecute the War against the Swedes, until the Treaty were brought to a defired conclusion. And thus the Treaty was re-assumed, but the place of treating was not changed, only the Tents were taken away, and Houses made of Plancks, of better proof against the extremity of the Weather, raised in their places. The Commissioners did indeed fometimes meet, though their Conventions proved wholly fruitless, these contests for Peace being necessitated to give way to the more clamorous and more severe disputes of War.

During these traverses and treaties, Coppenhagen continued blocked up by Sea and Land. The Swedes had lain before the Haven the whole Summer, with four, sometimes five Ships, so that the City laboured with the want of all things, especially fresh Meats and Firing. The Dutch Fleets lay useless in the Great Belt, kept up by Ceffations or contrary Winds, and could not help them; whileft the English lying betwixt the Town and the Island of Ween as Neutrals, did not affift them; until the General being advertised by me, who was newly come from Court, and had feen the miferies thereof (a few Herrings and a piece of falt Beef, being the best regalio at the Kings Table) did fend a Veffel fraught with all manner of Fowl July 7. and fresh Meats, for the Kings children. The Court moved with 176 the English Generals munificence, fent two Senators in an English man of War, which I procured them from him, to complement and thank him. They were received by the Admiral, with all fort of honour befitting their qualities, to whom, after the usual expresfions of gratitude and kindness, they represented and recommended the afflicted condition of their affairs, and left they might be thought to yield in civility to the generous General, they returned

his favour with an Honorary of Rhenish Wine. After this, the Citizens received several considerable refreshments from other parts. The Embassadours, both English, French, and Dutch, did ordinarily refide in the City, but had their provisions from abroad, by permission from the Swedes, under which pretence their servants carried great quantities into the Town, the surplus whereof they fold at good rates to the eager buyers. The Smedes were not ignorant of this kind of Commerce, but connived at it, as sharing in the pro-Sept. 7, fits; for their Officers by this means got monies for the Cattle, which the faid Servants bought from them in great numbers, upon condition they would fuffer them to pass with them into the City in fafety. But this traffick ended with the coming of the Dutch fleet, which arrived at Coppenhagen the second day after Montagues departure, who from the beginning of June to this time, had lain betwixe Ween and Zeland, as if he would cover the Sound on this fide, as he had formerly done it on the other, when he hovered betwixt Lap and Koll. De Ruyter the day after his arrival, failed towards the Sound, and having blocked up the Haven of Lanskrown continued there. There lay two men of War under Cronenburg, which he defigned to ruine, but his Fireships failing him, he attempted them no further, the loss which he might suffer in the enterprise, not countervailing the victory. It feemed likewife too hazardous, to enter the Haven of Lanskrown, though the ruine of the Swedish Fleet which lay in it seemed infallible, the difficulty was to get our again through so many Volleys, which the Castle and Batteries on shore, might thunder upon them, especially if the Wind proved contrary. Besides, it may reasonably be thought that the Dutch design was not to destroy, but to humble the Swedes. However it was, they contenred themselves with lying before the Haven at present, and shutting up the Enemy within his receptacles. But left the Fleet might feem to do nothing at all, Collonel Killegrew, who commanded the Land forces at prefent on board, was fent with 1200 commanded men, It ships of War, and 7 Fluyts, under the direction of Cornelius Everson Rear-Admiral of Zeland, to intercept Keucks. King Frederick had been advertised by his Spies, that there were not above aco men in the Town, and the Works on the fide next the Sea were open, which was true; But the Swedes having notice of this Defign before hand, had filled the place with armed men. King Charles was come thither also in person, and all things were in a readiness to receive these new guests. Killegrew knowing nothing of these preparations, was advanced within a League and a half of the Town, with intention to fail up close to it, but a sudden calm preventing him, he was forced to expect the day, which discovered the Enemies countenance and numbers, and posture; so that finding, that instead of surprizing them, he should be inevitably lost himself, he commanded his men, (four hundred whereof had been put into Boats with defign to land) back to the Fleet, which was no fooner done, but the Enemies bodies of Horse which had lurked

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lurked in the Wood appeared, as also the danger they had intallibly run into, if the Wind had continued blowing an hour longer. The Danes had at the same time surprised Udstead a Town in Schonen, which Killegrew having notice of, had Orders likewife to hasten thither to their Succour, which he did, but they had dislod. ged before he could get to them, for the place was not very tenable, and the Enemy made head on all fides against them. Having therefore met them by the way, they returned all together to Conpenhagen, with a purpose to land the Auxiliaries, which had thus long languished on Shipboard: but they were much surprised to see the Citizens refuse them entry, who fearing peradventure such numerous ayds, told them plainly, they were ftrong enough to defend themselves. This refusal, did much cool the Dutch kindness towards them, who not examining whether their diffidence were just or not, took it ill to be denied any thing from them, who owed them for all they enjoyed. Besides, the Land souldiers were hereby subjected to sicknesses, as being out of their Element, and obliged by this stay, to consume those Provisions which were only designed for the Seamen. Neither were the Danes content to defend themfelves only, they defigned also the recovery of Cronenburg, which had probably been effected, if not discovered by a miracle.

The men of Elzineur were the contrivers of this Plot, who has ving gained some of the Garison, thought the Victory secure. Seven or eight hundred men worked daily at the New Fortifications, and the Countrey was summoned to carry Wood, and Fuel for the Provision of the Castle. The design was to arm those Car-men, who were nigh fourscore strong, with short Swords and Pistols, who were ordered to overturn a Waggon or two in the very entry of the Castle, and thereupon to call their Companions to their aid, as if it had been done by accident. Being come together, they were to fall immediatly upon the Guard at the Gate, whilest the Townsmen, who were ready in their Houses, should hasten to their affistance, and the aforesaid Workmen be invited with their Spades and Mattocks, instead of other arms, to their liberty, and to the The plot being thus laid, the Contrivers and chief Actors in it, who had given the Court intelligence of it, were mainly encouraged by promises thence, and the glory of Delivering their Country, to dare any thing; which they had infallibly put in execution, it they had not been strangely discovered. The man that carried their Letters to Coppenhagen, and brought them their Orders and directions thence, had passed several times with a little Boat, as if he had gone a fishing along the shore, betwixt the Town and City. He had often flipped by the men of War undifcerned, which was no hard matter, confidering the diffance they lay from the shore, the largeness of the Sea, and the favour of the night. It happened, that in going by, he saw the Admirals Long-boat put off, which frightened him into a fancy that it was after him, and fearing to be taken, he threw his Packet of Letters with a Stone tied

But when he saw that the Swede had taken another Course, as nor minding him, he then began to condemn his vain sear and precipitation; however glad, that his Letters which the Sea had swallowed, were not saln into the Enemies hands. But he was deceived, for the string that tied the Packet to the stone being slipt, or broke, the Letters sloated, and were carried by the Tide, which in the Streights of Denmark, as also the whole Balisck Sea, waits upon the Wind, to Lanskrown; where being taken up by a Souldier that accidentally walked upon the shore, they were brought to the Governour, and so the whole design discovered, and prevented, by the punishment of such of its Contrivers, that did not save themselves

by a timely retreat.

The Plot to surprife Malmuyen one of the Chief Towns of Schonen, was no less odly discovered, than this of Cronenburg, the Meffengers that were employed by the Conspirators, used to hide their Letters in a Wood, in a hole covered with Earth and Sods, where they also found their Answers; so that the business was come to fome ripeness, when an unhappy Fox ranging that way, and smelling at that new Earth, scrap'd it up in search of somewhat to prey upon. This being observed by an accidental Passenger, who curious to fee what the industrious beast was doing, found the Letters which contained and detected the whole progress of the conjuration. I cannot tell how truly I have related the particulars of these Conspiracies, though they were thus told me by several persons of credit: but being I dare not affirm them in all their particulars though they are most true in the general (as the rest of this Relation for undoubted certainties) the Reader may take the same liberty in believing what he pleases, as I did in writing of them.

The King of Denmark having at length obtained permission to employ the Dutch Auxiliaries, thought six to undertake somewhat of consequence before Winter. Having therefore got together all the small Vessels and Ships of burthen which the City could afford, de Ruster was by consent of the States Embassadours, sent with all his Fleet towards Holsteyn, with Order to embark the Land-Army that was there, and carry it according to such directions as he had or should receive. Whilest he was on his way thither, accompanied with the prayers and wishes of the Citizens for his good success, Admiral opdam, who had kept the Sea the whole Summer, came to Coppenhagen, bringing with him a great number of Vessels

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10aden with Fuel and other Provisions. His stay there was not long, fo that having taken his leave of the King (who regaled him with a Present of three thousand pounds, and three hundred pounds yearly for his son, in consideration of his eminent services) and of the City which he had saved; he passed the Sound the second time,

Nov. 4. discharging his Cannon at the Castles as he sailed by, and after twelve Moneths absence, arrived safe in Holland, where having given the States a summary Report of his actions, and negotiations in

the North, he received (though not without some opposition) the publick thanks of the Assembly, for his prudent and valorous Conduct.

King Charles was gone to Nykepping in Falker, where he continued some time, to be nearer Pomerania, where the Confederates domineered at pleasure, and the better to observe the motion of the Dutch Fleet. Collonel Sidney and Sir Robert Honniwood, as also the French Embassadour, not yet despairing of Peace, went thither. to him; which the Durch being looked upon as Enemies, refused to do: but yet that it might appear how defirous they were of an Accommodation, they dispatched me with Letters and Messages, intimating so much to His MajeRy. The Plenipotentiaries being arrived at Nykopping, began to treat again, but being nothing could be concluded without the Dutch, it was thought good to invite them also thither, which was done by Letters from the Court, from the Embassadours, and from me, by the Kings order and the other Embassadours entreaty. They had also Passports sent them from the King, and a Convoy, with some of His Majesties servants to wair upon them and serve them by the way, so that there appeared now more hopes than ever, of composing these ruinous differences. Being come to Nycopping; they were lodged and defrayed by the Kings Order, and the Treaty was re-assumed with no less expectation, than feeming propension to a Peace on all sides. But these sourithes quickly vanished, for the King Perfisting in his former opinion, and the Embassadors not departing from theirs, there was nothing concluded. The Swedes Commissioners having exhibited some previous demands to the Mediatours, declared, that they must be first granted, before they could come to the main business of Peace, These were, that the three States should first joyntly and generally, and then severally, and apart, stand good and be bound for the performance of the Treaty with Denmark. That they should undertake, that the War which the Emperour and Electour of Brandenburg had raised in Germany, and did actually wage against the Swedish Provinces there, in favour of Denmark, should be laid afide with all speed, and a plenary restitution made of all they had taken therein; and that they should become Sureties that the King of Sweden should not be disturbed for the future, by any, contrary to the German Instrument of Peace. Further, in case the aforesaid Enemies should refuse to restore what they had violently usurped. that then the three States should compel them to it by force, and interpole and engage, for the Smedes future defence and fecurity in those Provinces, which appertained to them. Laftly, these things being thus granted, the King of Smeden would then condescend (in favour of the three States) to a Peace with Denmark, and that upon the Basis of the Rosschild Treaty, taken in its right and genuine sence, which could not otherwife be done. The Mediatours answered to these Demands, that the three States would become

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fureties for, and engage themselves to affert what ever should be agreed upon betwixt the Kings. That (as foon as the Peace was made in Denmark) they would use their utmost endeavours to compose the Wars in Germany, and oblige the Emperour and Elector of Brandenburg, to restore those places they had taken from the Swedes. That the King of Sweden should for his part, in the interim consent to a pacification according to the Rosschild Treaty, fave that the second Article of it should be so interpreted, that either, and both of the Kings, should be at liberty to Treat and make Leagues with any Prince, or Commonwealth what soever, for the mutual defence of themselves and States. That all dubious expressions in the faid Treaty, should be explained or expunged, to impede new disputes. That the Castle, Ciey, and Territory of Drontbeym should be restored to the King of Denmark, in consideration of all those vast losses which he had suffered by this last invasion; And lastly, that there should be a time prefixed for the removal of the Swedish Garrisons and Armies, out of all the Isles and Provinces of Denmark, and that in all other things and particulars, the Treaty of Rosschild should stand in full force and vigour. They made also other propositions, concerning a free passage through the Sound, about removing of misunderstandings betwixt the Swedes and United Provinces, the Ratification of the Treaty of Elbing, the Peace with Poland, and of restoring the old friendship, betwixt the King of Sweden and the Elector of Brandenburg. And these were the Proposals made on the King and Mediators fides, but his Majesty seemed the most refractory, not that he was averse from Peace, for he had too many Enemies to struggle with, but lest he might be thought to defire it for fear of War, and even then when he was most threatned.

In the mean time, the dayes were passed in Feasting and Hunting, the King having then invited the Mediators to those diversions. His Majesty was at Table with the said Embassadours, when he received the news of the Enemies Fleet and Land-Armies being at Sea; neither did he therefore quit his Guests, but concealing the matter, continued his feasting till late in the night. The next morning betimes, he furrounded the Island, viewed its Forts, and left good Guards at all its Entries & Avenues, in case the Enemy should attempt to land there; but being advertised by quick Posts, and manifold Beacons, which he had ordered upon all the heights in the Country, that the Fleet was entred the Great Belt, he flew with all the Forces he could get together to Corfeur, a Sea Town in Zeland: Being come thither, he perceived that the Enemies design was upon Funen. He therefore fent Field-Marshal Steynboch thithea, with Orders to the Prince of Sutlsback, to quit the Island, and transport himself and all his Forces (leaving only a Garrison in Newburg) into Zeland. But these Orders came too late, for they

did not only want shipping in Fanen, but the whole Streight was covered with the Enemies numerous Fleet. The King seeing this, dispatcht an Express to His Admiral, to hasten thither with the Fleet which lay in the Haven of Lanskrown, with all possible speed. He being upon the Point to hoist sail, received contrary commands to stay, which were again followed by other Orders to come away; and yet others in the neck of them not to stir, and all in one and the same day: so uncertain he was what to determine. One while he resolved to sight them at Sea, but sinding the odds too great, would pass over into Fanen in person. He fretted to see the Enemy brave it in his presence, and could not suffer that his Army should engage in his absence. But he had no shipping ready, and the Enemy were absolutely Masters at Sea, so that it was impossible for him either to sight them, or joyn with his own Troops.

And thus this brave Prince, being hurried betwixt the paffions of hope, and a generous fear, was forced against his Nature and practife, to become a Spectator, whilest others plaid his part,

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Ield-Marshal Schack, Commander of the Banish Forces, had embarked at Kiel in Holstein. His Army consisted of Eighteen hundred Horse, Six Nov. 6, hundred Foot, and forty Companies (though not exceeding two thousand five hundred men) of Duich Auxiliaries. The Germans, Polish, and Brandenburger ayds marched by Land, under the Conduct of Field-Marshal Ebersteyn, towards

of War having been sent thither to facilitate their transport. Whilest they were on their way by Land, the Sea Forces advanced with more ease & speed, and being past Langlands Point, were come within sight of Newburg. They cast anchor in the mouth of the Haven, and resolved at a Councel of War, to endeavour to land there. Lieutenant General Alefeld, was sent with two thousand men to execute this design, but most of the. Boats which carried the Souldiers, having lost their way in the dark, and being scattered and dis-

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perfed by the ill-Weather, the Wind blowing high and contrary, they returned again to the Fleet, without attempting what they were fent for. And truly it was wel they did not, for the descent there was, by reason of the Enemies frequent Forts and numerous troops, very difficult and hazardons; As foon as the day appeared, they weighed Anchor again, and leaving Newburg coasted the shore as far as Cartmund. When they were come near the Town, which is feated at the mouth of the River Carta, from whence it hath its denomination, and had viewed it well, the place feemed very abordable, in so much that it was unanimously resolved to try their fortune there, with hopes of better success than at Newburg. Boats therefore were immediately filled with Souldiers, and commanded towards the shore. The Danes had the Van being no less eager of the honour, than desirous of performing their own business: But being they did not advance as fast as was required, and that the Boats, by reason of their loading and the shallowness, could not move further; Collonel Killegrew, Sir Walter Vane, (Monsieur Buat, who was with the Danes in the Vanguard and first quitted his Shallop) Sir John Skelton, and the rest in Killegrew's Boat, leapt into the Water, being breaft high, and being followed by all the Netherland Auxiliaries, made towards Land. The Town gave and received several Vollies of shot as they waded along. Some few Swedish Horse advanced into the Sea, but were easily repelled and beat back. The Cannon from the Ships thundring from all parts incessantly upon the Shore, the Bridge, and the neighbouring Town, did much facilitate the landing, by forcing the Enemy, unable to resist its violence, to retire. The Town was also possesfed that night, being abandoned by the Swedes, and the rest of the Army was landed with all imaginable speed, though much time was spent in getting the Horse on shore. Shack hearing nothing of Ebersteyns advance, continued at Cartmund for some days, until the Army being fully refreshed, it was resolved, they should march towards odensea, the chief Town of the Isle, and seated in the middle of it: But their motion was but flow, by reason they had the Enemy in Front, who had also possessed all the Streights and narrow Passages in their way.

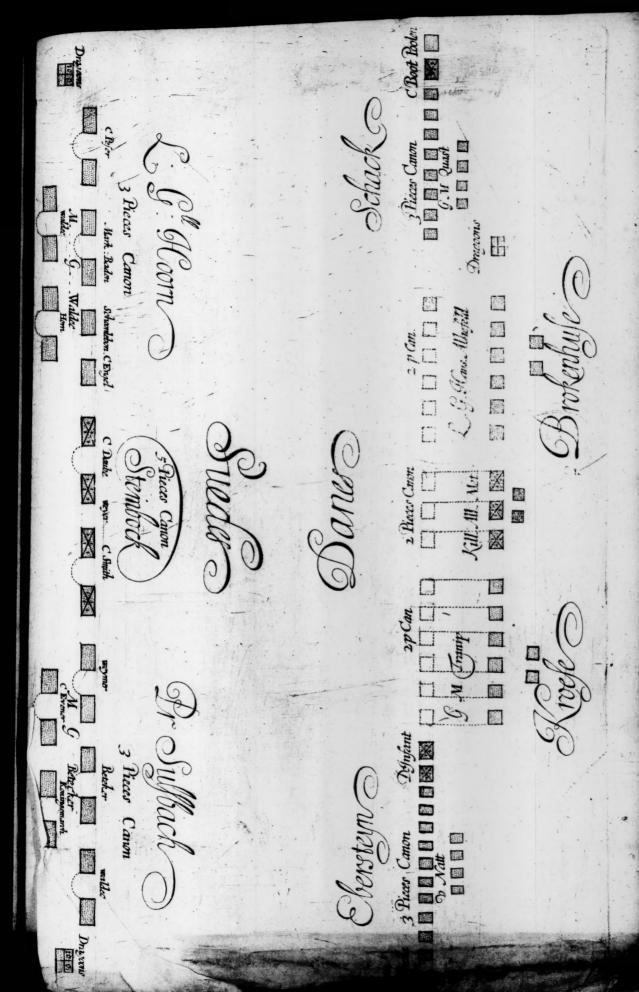
The Prince of Sulsbach was General of the Swedish Forces in the Island. His Army was not great, not exceeding five thousand effective Souldiers (which were encreased to that number by the additional Foot which the King had caused to be conveyed over by night, to re-inforce his Troops there, when he saw it impossible to transport them out of the Island) but it was high in reputation; and yet he could not hinder the Enemies landing at Cartmund, or thought it less hazardous to fight them afterwards, than to expose his men to the certain danger of their Cannon. And yet he was censured, because he did not engage either then, or when they were landed, or at any time beforetheir conjunction, though he could not avoid it afterward. His chief care now was, to hinder the uniting

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of the two Armies, and therefore he had planted himself in those advantageous Streights, betwixt Cartmund and Odensea. But hedring that Ebersteyn was likewise landed, contrary to his expectation, and the opinion he had of those Troops which he had ordered to oppose him, he changed his mind: for fearing he might be himself inclosed betwixt two such powerful adversaries, he marched with all his Forces to Newburg, where he posted himself, with a resolution to receive and fight the Enemy in his advantages. Eberftein had passed that arm of the Sea which divides Holstein from Funen at Middlefare, without the loss of one single man. He had four Imperial Regiments, as many Brandenburgers, fix hundred Polish horse, fix hundred Danish Dragoons, and a thousand horse of the same Nation with him. All these were wasted over in three dayes and nights time, in thirteen Boats (the Troopers holding and training their Horses by the bridles, whilest they swom after them) without any opposition at all. There were indeed two men of War, and two other armed Vessels appointed to meet Ebersteyn at Middlefare, and also to transport those troops that were in the Islet of Allen into Funen, but being detained by contrary Winds, they were forced to the Iste of Aree, where they had intelligence of some Swedes ships loaden with prey and spoil, that lay in an Inlet by Allen, which they took with their long Boats, and plundered without refistance: the Swedes which were in Middlefare, and in the Forts and trenches along the shore, quitted them contrary to their custom, and the wonted bravery of that Nation, at first fight of the Enemy; and leaving above thirty peeces of Cannon behind them, and other warlike provisions, retired; leaving an uninterrupted paffage for the purfuers to follow. Ebersteyn wondring he had got over so easily, was afraid the Enemy had laid some amoush for him, which made him move flowly, so that he was seven dayes in marching so many miles to odenfea, where he found Schack and Killegrew, who had been there three dayes before him, and waited his coming. All the Confederate Forces being now joyned, amounted to near nine thousand, so that furmounting the Swedes in numbers, they resolved to go search them out, and give them battle where ever they could find them: there was some little dispute betwixt the two Generals about the precedency. Ebersteyn pretended it as eldest Field-Marshal, and Schack would not submit, being more immediatly commissioned for the present expedition. It was therefore agreed, that each should command his own men, and lead the Avantguard by turns. The next day they broke up, and Ebersteyn having the Van they marched four miles; the day following they came to Maselboom, a mile and a half from Newburg, and on the fourteenth, faw the Enemy drawn up in Battle-array expecting of them : the Right Wing of the Swedes Army, confishing of ten Squadrons of Horse, was lead by the Prince himself, four whereof composing the Reserve, being commanded by Major General Beteker, one hundred Dragoons closed this Wing on the right hand, and the Front was strengthened

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with three peeces of Cannon; the left Wing equalled this in strength and order, conducted by Lieutenant General Horn, and the Count of Waldec: But the main Body, confisting of four Battalions of Foot, though not exceeding fourteen hundred in all, and five peeces of Ordnance, were commanded by Marshal Steynbock, fent thither to affift the young Prince, with his more aged Councels. The Town and a Wood, covered the Army behind, so that their Rear was lecure, and a long continued Ditch with some water in it, where the ground was lowest, interposed betwixt their Front, and the larger Campania: there were some Avenues in the atoresaid Ditch, through which the Bodies of Horse did move. when they engaged on either fide. Ebersteyn seeing the Enemies order pur also his Army into Bartalia, Major General Quast commanded his Right Wing, confifting of the Imperial Regiments. fome few Poles, and a Company of Danish Dragoons; Count Vander Nat, with his own Regiment and part of Collonel Mathem's." made up the Referve: the Danish Infantry being but two small Bo. dies, composed the main Battle, being otherwise ftrengthened with fourteen peeces of Cannon; the Left Wing made up of Brandenburgers, Poles, one troop of Ebersteyn's Regiment, and a few Dragoons, was encreased by five Dutch Companies, under the Command of Lieutenant Collonel Aquila: the rest of Ebersteyn's own, and Konenberg's whole Regiment, were appointed for Referves. Marshal Schack had by this time also put his Army into Battalia, his Right Wing being commanded by Lieutenant General Alefeld, and his left by Major General Tramp: the Netberland Auxiliaries, made up of English, French, and Dutch Companies, divided into three Regiments, and lead by their three Collonels, Killegrew, Allowa, and Metteren, composed the main Battle. Killegrew commanded these in chief, and the rest of the Officers, excepting Allowa who was absent by sickness, and Sir Walter Vane, who worthily discharged the Office of Major General, marched with their feveral Companies, and in their feveral places. Marshal Ebersteyn had chosen the Left Wing, because he would be opposite to the Enemies right, which Shack observing, drew up his troops on his right, so that both Armies thus united, made but one, though a very irregular Front, which was occasioned through Ebersteyn's hast to engage, and the disorders which usually arrive in such encounters. The Armies being thus ranged, they met and fought with no less desires than bravery, and the Battle proved doubtful as well as hot, until the Netherlanders, the rest being broken and disordered, turned the day, by only keeping firm, and snatched the Victory out of the Swedes hands. Eberfteyn had before the Battle began, fent four hundred Horse to observe the Enemies order and countenance, who advancing too far, were rudely received and beaten back to their main Body. In the mean time, the Eberstenians move on, and marching on to the Swedes Dirch, endeavoured with great coutage to beat rhem from it, but being as bravely received,



they were forced back with great loss, all the Officers of Eberftegns own Regiment, being either flain or wounded. Neither was Shacks fortune better, all his Horse being broken, and routed, so that if the swedes had not been hindered by their own Ditch to pursue their advantage at once, by hindering the Enemy to rally behind the Dutch Foot, they had infallibly got the Day. Killegrew feeing the Horse beaten, marched up in good order to the Ditch. and firing continually by Ranks as he advanced, forced the Swedes Foot to quit it, and retire further into the Field behind them. The Swedes endeavoured to make head again, but being again difordered, were charged, broken, and cut in pieces by the Polish and Danish Horse, who were regurned to the fight. Alefeld had by this rallied his Troops again, and bringing them on a fresh, passed also the Dirch, and charging the swedes Left Wing of Horse, routed and pursued them to the Walls of the Town. The Prince having loft all his Foot, and weakened by the flight of his Left Wing, seeing no hopes of recovering the Day, retired also in reasonable good order into the City, however pursued by the Victorious Enemy. The Field being cleered, and plundered, and the night growing on apace, the Danish Generals encamped as near the Town as was possible. The next morning; they put their Armies into Battle in fight of the Enemy, and having planted their Cannon, threatned a sudden and general Assault, unless they surrendred. The Swedes seeing the Enemies preparations, sent out Commissioners to treat with them, and a Trumpeter to De Ruyter, who continually thundred upon them with vollyes of Cannon, to defire him to defift, for they would deliver up the Town upon reasonable terms. But all mention of Conditions being rejected by the infulting Victors, they were forced to Deliver up themselves and the Place at discretion. Lieutenant General Horn marched out with three thousand Horse, which as also the Prisoners and Colours which had been taken in the Fight, he presented to the Confederate Generate Generals, who divided and diffributed them amongst their several Regiments: the Officers, the Town, the spoil and all, fell into the Conquerours hands, together with fourfcore Corners, and eight and twenty Foot-Colours. Amongst the prisoners of note, were Horn himself, and the two Major Generals Weyer and Waldec. The Duke of Wermer, and the Count Koning mark had been taken in the Battle the day before; there were also ten Collonels belides the inferiour Officers, and some other persons of quality. The flain on the Swedes fide amounted to well nigh two thousand, besides Major General Beteker, and some other lesser Officers. The Danes lost only their Collonel Booth, one Lieutenant Collonel, one Major, and three Captains of Horfe. Piazenzewski the Commander in Chief of the Poles, died in this Field of Honour, as also Captain Hemmema a Gentleman of Friezland, the only Officer amongst the Netherlanders. The number of the slain fouldiers did not exceed five hundred in all, neither did this so fignal

a Victory and the fruits of it, the Island of Funen, cost the Danes any more; which seemed in some fort, to recompense the manifold losses they had hitherto sustained. The two Swedish Generals the Prince of Sulsbach and Marshal Steynbock escaped the danger, for being retired into the Town, and in an impossibility of either defending the place or being relieved, and seeing they had butthat one night of reprieve, they thought it more reasonable to hazard an escape, than submit to a certain surrender. They therefore exposed themselves in a small Boat to the mercy of the Sea, and escaped by savour of the darkness, and nimbleness of their Rowers, through all the Enemies Fleet, and came early the next morning to Corsen, where they in person, the only remains of so great a Defeat, were the Messengers of the Kings loss, and their own missortunes.

The Danes heightened with this success, would by all meanes transfer the War into Zeland, terrified as they supposed, with the late loss. But De Ruyter pretending the hasty approach of Winter. the danger of the Ice if it should freeze, and the want of Provisions in his Fleet, refused to help them over, and however they demonstrated to him that it was but a business of a few hours, yet he would not be perswaded to assist them any further; the States peradventure thinking they had done enough, if they could oblige the Swedes to a Peace, not ruine them: for they could not chuse but remember the Danes former exacting upon them in the Sound, and the dangerous growth of the House of Auftria in Germany. The Confederate Army was therefore dispersed into Winter quarters. Eberfteyn returned with his Troops into Helftein: Schack and the Dutch Anxiliaries continued in Funen, and De Ruyter failed to Lubeck, to re-victual his Fleet. The Holland, the Norway, and the Island Fleets, loaden with an immense quantity of all forts of provisions, arrived at the same time in the Belt; and joyning with De Ruyter, failed with him to Coppenhagen, where he was received with joy by the Citizens, and with much favour by the King, who honoured him with a great Chain of Gold, and a Meddal befet with Diamonds, as a mark of the esteem his Majesty had for the fervice he had rendered him.

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The Mediatours having had notice of what had passed in Funen, went to Elzineur, fancying that the swedes would after so great a blow be more inclinable to Peace, but they were deceived; for the King, lest he might be thought to yield with his mistortune, seemed no less constant now than he had been before; and yet they gained so much, that an Act of Redintegration of September twenty nine, was passed, whereby all hostilities, unkindnesses, and controversies should be removed; and the old, sincere, faithful and perpetual friendship, be renewed and restored betwixt the King and States. The Treaty of Elbing and its elucidations were also agreed upon; but with this restriction, that the said Treaty should not be binding and of force, before the Peace betwixt the Northern Crowns

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were concluded. But before we go further, it will not be from the purpole, to give the curious Reader, a short account of this Treaty of Elbing, being we shall have occasion to mention it so often hereafter, and that it will be so much insisted upon in the following Narrative.

The States General intereffing themselves in the Wars of Poland, and apprehending the Swedes conquests in that Kingdom, had sent their Embassadours into Prussia, to secure their own traffick. and mediate, if possible, a peace betwixt them and the Pole. Their reception there was not ill, though their entertainment by the way had been but course, for they had been detained some dayes at Lowenburg against their wils, though under pretexts of honour; their complaints being only paid with excuses, and a pretended mistake of the Commander, though he had shown the Chancellor Oxenstern's order for what he did. These Embassadours were followed by a great Fleet, under the Command of Admiral Opdam, who in order to the League quaranty with Denmark, for defence of the Commerce of the Baltick Sea, and particularly for the City of Dantfick, came and Anchored before the faid Town. This way of Negotiation produced the Treaty of Elbing, which renewed them of the years 1640, and 1645. confirmed the liberty of traffick without augmenting the impositions, and included the City of Dantsick with a referve of their fidelity to their own Prince. But Dantfick waved this inclusion, under pretence of Loyalty to the King and Commonwealth of Poland, but more truly, because they not only seared an incorporation with Sweden, but also defired no Superiour stronger at Sea than themselves, which would infallibly follow, if Prusia continued in the Swedes power: For these and other reasons, discovered in the context of this Relation, the whole Treaty continued hitherto unratified. But to return from whence we digressed, the said Treaty being now agreed upon, many prisoners on both fides, were as a testimony of their renewed Amity, set at liberty, and the Dutch Embassadours are now received as Mediators, without any scruple or exception. For all this, they could not bring the business to an absolute Accommodation, Winter was near, and there was no appearance that the Swedes would change quarters in so rude a season, and therefore the King having left the Command of his Forces and the Isles, to the Prince of Sulsbach, and bid adieu to the Mediators, after he had feafted them, he paffed over into Schonen, and went thence in hast to Gottenburg to be prefent at the Assembly of the States of Sweden, which he had commanded to meet him there.

The Mediators seeing the King gone, and perceiving that nothing would be done in his absence, returned all to Coppenhagen, where the time for the most part was spent in jollity and feasting. Neither had the Citizens any great cause to complain, being abundantly furnished from Helland, Island, Norway, Jutland, Holsteyn, Lubeck, and other places of the Baltick Sea, with all manner of

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provisions. The Souldiers, especially the Dutch, both Sea and Land Militia, were furnished with stockings, shoes, shirts, and coats, against the present cold, so that the City had rather the appearance of a place that triumphed over their Enemies, than of a besieged Fortress. The Dutch, as also the Danish Ships, were all within the Haven in surety, being frozen up, in so much that the Marriners who fill lodged on Board, were forced every day to break the Ice round about them, which secured them as well against the surpriles, as other designes of the Enemy. All the Marshes and Waters about the City were frozen, so that the whole Campania was become passable and open, which induced many of the Beliegers to refuge themselves in the Town, pretending the unfufferableness of the cold, and the hard duty they were put to: King Frederick had also caused Billets to be thrown about the Camp, inviting all fuch as would come to his fervice, with promife of present reward, and good quarters. He likewise ordered ten Ryxdollers to be given to every fugitive Trooper in hand, provided he came with his Horse and Arms; and five to every Footman that came accourred; and certainly, if his moneys had held out, the number of these Run-aways, which were near an hundred, would have amounted to a far greater. Most of these sellowes were Germans, which obliged the Swedish Generals, to remove all the German Regiments and Troops further from the Town, and put Swedes and Fins in their places, as men of better principles and fidelity.

The Summer and Fall were past, without any remarkable action betwixt the City and Camp, both parties feeing no appearance of doing good upon each other; being content to keep within their holds. But the Winter being advanced, and the Ice having rendered the ways and fields paffable, they skirmilhed, attacked, and made fallies upon each other, with various success and fortune. In November, the Danish Horse fell upon a Guard of the Smedes, betwixt the Town and their Camp, which they surprised, killing and taking above fixty of them. The Month following, thirty fout fellowes of the Garrison slipt out in a Boat, and by favour of the night, landed near the Paper mills, a Datch mile from the City: they hid themselves in a Wood all the following day, but the darkness being come, they went to Fredericksburg, a pleasant and fumptuous House of the Kings, and breaking open the Stables, took away eight and twenty good horses, belonging to the King of Smeden, and mounting them, got fafe with them, for all the Enemies pursuit, to Coppenhagen : the lucky temerity of a Lieutenant, being one of the afore-mentioned Fugitives, was no less remarkable who stealing ontrof the Town by night, passed all the Enemies stations undiscovered, and coming to Rotschild, surprised the Guards there, and brought some twenty Horse with him back into the Town, these small successes did much heighten the besieged, who as it is usual in such encounters, began to contemn the Enemy, and

hope for greater advantages, which they attempted, though not with the like facility, as we shall see hereafter,

During these doings in Denmark, it will not be from the purpose to observe what happened elsewhere in order to them. King Charles was not ignorant how many difficulties, and what great obstacles the Netherlanders had opposed to his proceedings, how violently they had acted against him, and what further resistance he might expect from them, unless they were diverted. He had therefore dispatched Monsieur Coget his Embassadour extraordinary to the States General some moneths since, to endeavour to remove those jealousies, which obliged this wary Nation, to interest themselves in the transactions of their Neighbours. Whilest Coyet was hastening for Holland in a Zeland States man of War, he had like to have been shipwrackt upon the dangerous shores of Anhout, for his Velfel being thrown upon a ridge of Sand by the violence of the tempest, stuck there immoveable, save its fearful rocking by the reciprocation of those Waves, which threatned its ruine every moment. Coget faved himself in a Merchant ship which accidentally passed that way, and many of the Seamen having tied a number of empty Casks together with ropes, changed one danger for another. But the Captain being resolved to perish with his ship, did yet what he could to fave both: He threw all his heaviest Cannon and luggage over-boord, and so lightened his Vestel, that the Wind turning Northwards, it was lift up with the Waters, and so got off its unbappy station, and returned contrary to the expectation of all men, back to Elzineur. And certainly, so brave a man as this Captain, whose name is Adrian Bankert, a Zealander, deserves to be mentioned in our Relation, especially, having fignalized himself once before by faving his Ship. It happened that having the outwatch before the Haven of Coppenhagen, his Cables being cut in pegces by the Ice, he was carried away with the ffream and sholes, as far as the little Island of Ween, and so near the shore that he stuck fast in the Sands. The Swedes eager of the prey, which they thought affured, fent two men of War and feveral armed Boats to feize upon him, but finding more reliftance than they had imagined, they raifed a Battery on Land, and fo attacked him on all fides at once stout Banken defended himself so well, that he link the Enemies fire-flip, battered their Battery on fhore, and treated the rest forudely, that they were forced to retire, and suffer him to get offe which he did inclasety. notwithstanding his former danger, went aboard the fame Ship again, which being repaired, he fer fail and arrived in Holland in November following. The Danift and Brandenhurgift Ministens, did all they could to hinder his Reception and Audience, not forgetting ropud the States in mind of the injuries and affronts, which the King of Sweden had fo lately done to their Embaffadours in Denmark. But all they could do, Nev. could not unmask the States for far, as to oblige them to declare open Wanagainst Smeden, though they otherwife incommodated it

by all the means they could imagine: a publick rupture had not been advisable, being the English Fleet there, and the English and French nearer home were reasonably to be apprehended, besides they thought it below their accustomary prudence, only to crack the Shell whilest their Allies went away with the Kernel; all the Conquests they could hope for in those parts, being but a liberty of Commerce, which they were furer of, in the difmembring of the Sound, than in a plenary restauration of Denmark to its pristine greatness, which had formerly so much perplexed and troubled their Navigation. Besides all this, there was anotheer weighty reason why Coget should be admitted, which was, to render their Neutrality faster, and their interposing less suspect : being therefore received with the usual Ceremonics, and admitted to Audience, he laid before them the ancient Leagues and Confederations betwixt the two Nations, and how religiously they had been observed on the Swedes part, which the present King Charles Enstave had not only facredly kept hitherto, but had also obliged himself by the late Treaty at Eibing, which contained most advantagious conditions for the Dutch, to do fo for the future. He could not therefore but wonder to fee, that the same was not ratified by them; which the credie of some men, who preferred their own passion and lucre before the good of their Countrey, and hitherto hindered; and how ever he had confented to an enlarging and explaining of the faid Treaty, to their own desire, yet it took no effect; for the States had for all these amicable Concessions, fent their Fleet to Dansick to thwart his Designes in Poland, and instead of affishing of him against the invading Danes, with those supplies which they were obliged to by their Leagues with him and his Predecessours, they did not scruple to favour the King of Denmark in his unjust endeavours against him. Nay, they had so far contemned and rejected his friendship, who had suffered near a hundred of their Merchant-men. which he had in his power in the Sound, to pass untouched or molested; that they had after the manner of professed Enemies, fent'a Fleet of War to affault and oppress him. He did therefore seriously complain of this ill-treating and violation of friendship, especially being he had omitted nothing on his part, for the conservation of a good understanding betwire them, and that they on the contrary, had flown into open acts of violence and hostility, without so much as trying the wayes of Peace. For all this, the King had fent him to declare his most secret intentions to them; to explain those things which their Deputies in Denmark had scarce order to mention, to endeavour to remove what ever there was of any moment, that might cherish those heats and jealousies which were betwixt them, and to renew those Leagues of Amity, which they had formerly fo much efteemed, and which the King, would if they pleafed alwayes keep inviolably. He further propounded, that Commissioners might be ordered to creat with him, which was granted, although they moved not so quick as he defired, the main business being

being referred by the States to their Plenipotentiaries then in Denmark.

The King of Denmark, hearing of Coyer's being in Holland, refolved, least his affairs there might suffer, to oppose him in kind. He therefore sent the Lords, Otto Krage, and Cotske Bockwalt, two Se- Fan. 9. nators, his Embassadours extraordinary to the Hague, who were received with more appearance and realities of kindness than the Swede. Amongst other things, they told the States that the time defigned to make the Peace in, was expired, and consequently that that the Haques Agreement and Conventions did cease of course. They therefore belought them to continue their affistance, according to the reiterate Leagues betwixt them, and that until Denmark were delivered from the oppression of their Enemies. They further demanded, that they might not at all be tied to the Treaty of Rotschild, which the Swedes had broken, but that the said Swedes might be obliged, not only to render what they had usurped, but also to restore Schonen a dangerous neighbour to Coppenhagen, in compensation of the manifold losses which they had suffered by their Laftly, they defired a Peace, but would have it general, as securest both for their Commerce and their Allies. Some time after, they required that the Dutch Militia in Denmark, might be made up fix thousand effective men, that the States would furnish them with 24 thousand Crowns every moneth, and lend them thirty Ships of War as foon as the Ice was broken, to be at the Kings command. In lieu of all this, they offered the States Drontbeym in Norway , Malmuyen or Lanskrown in Schonen when they were taken, or Glackstat in Holsteyn, as pledges and security for their moneys. But the English opposed these Propositions of the Danes, not willing to fuffer that either the Elbe, the Sound, or the Northern Navigation, should run the hazard of more interruptions: fo that this was no further infifted upon, especially, being the English Resident had desired in Writing from the States, that they would not accept of any Cities, Havens, Forts, or other places what soever, before his Superiours had been first acquainted with it. The States answer to the Danes (except in this particular) was very favourable, for having fent a great quantity of all manner of Provisions to Coppenhagen, they further declared, that they would not be wanting in affifting their Confederates. It will not be impertinent, to add a Catalogue of the Provisions which were to compose a Magazin for the Citizens at Coppenhagen, and to be fold to them at reasonable Rates, the particulars and prises were;

300000 Weight of Cheefe, coft; 29160 Livers or Guilders. 300 Tun of Herrings, at 40500 Guild. 400000 Weight of Stockfish, at 28000 Guild. 120 Tun of Gront, 24840 Guild. 2 03 2 min 135 Tun of Salt, at 14610 Guila,

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800 Firkins of Butter, 59200 Guild.
400 Hogsbeads of Brandy, 34080 Guild.
500 Hogsbeads of Vinegar, 10075 Guild.
400000 Pound of Bacon, at 72000 Guild.
100 Ship pound of Hops, 4300 Guild.
200 Tun of Mali, at 23240 Guild.
200 Quarts of Train-Oyl, 6300 Guild.
4000 Pound of Horse-Radish, 340 Guild.
200 Ames of Rape Oyl, 7800 Guild.
300 Tun of Beef Salted, 16600 Guild.
10000 Pounds of Candles, 3000 Guild.
2000 Pound of Tobacco, 4000 Guild.
200 Tun of Oats, at 14000 Guild.
The whole Sum is, 474045 Guild.
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The States also answered Coyets expostulatory speech, accusing the Swedes as the causers of the breach of those Leagues, and that friendthip they so much complained of. First, they put him in mind how Queen Christina, had not only refused them those Succours during the English War, which the Crown of Sweden was obliged to fend them, but had also hindred the transport of the Cannon, which they had then bought in Sweden for their use, and imprisoned some of their Merchants, upon unjust and frivolous pretences. They further declared, that their usage had not been berter fince the comming of Charles Guffave the present King to the Crown, for that when a Catalogue of those Princes and States which were efteemed Friends and Confederates to the Kingdom of Sweden, had been openly read in the Affembly of States, they were omitted, and wholly left out; nay, that this King had, as Christina had done before, when he was preded to renew the ancient Alliances betwixt the two States, declared (under pretext of their League with Denmark) that he was not at all obliged to observe them. complained, how the Kings Fleet had exacted extraordinary Imposts, from their Subjects in the Baltick Sea, and how their Embaffadours had been detained at Lowenburg against their wills. As for the Treaty of Elbing, they acknowledged they had demanded, a necessary Elucidation, not Elusion of some of its Articles, the which not being concluded, and the Swedes having declared the former Treaties betwixt them not to be obligatory, it feemed but reasonable in them to look to their own affairs, and to fend a Fleet and Souldiers to Danfick, as well to secure their Trade, as to infere a City which was their Friend and Confederate. They added, that they were not ignorant with how much industry both Queen Christina and King Charles, had not only endeavoured to ruine the good intelligence which was betwirt King Frederick and their State, but had also laboured by the accession and assistance of Denmark to exclude them out of the Baltick Sea. But being they could 200

could not compass it, it was no wonder if the States General did affist a Prince who was their Confederate and Friend. And yet they professed, that when the Peace betwixt the two Northern Crowns was once made, they would omit nothing which might conduce to renew and re-establish the ancient Alliances and friendships, betwixt the Crown of sweden, and their United Provinces.

During these transactions, the Imperialists and Brandenburgers made havock of all in Pomerania uncontroused, under pretext of diverting the swedes in their proceedings in Denmark. The War in Norway was also carried on with much eagerness, but with more variety of success; but being these Contests happened out of Denmark, however relating to the subject in hand, though at a distance, I thought good to omit them, as well to avoid prolixity, as to ease my self, especially, being the knowledge I had of them was but at second hand. I must not however omit to say somewhat of the death of King Charles, he having been the only Author of the Siege we mention, although prevented by his untimely end, from finishing

that which he had so vigorously undertaken.

The Convention at Gottenburg being ended, the King who had lain some time fick of a malignant Fever, seemed to have overcome the violence of his Disease; but falling into a relapse, and perceiving that he must submit to that necessity, which imposes upon Kings as well as meaner persons; he caused his Queen, his Friends, and the Chief Officers of his Crown, to be called to him. He comforted fuch as he perceived to mourn his misfortune with most tenderness, and having spoken to many of them in particular, spent the approaching night in strugling against the rage and impatience of his malady. He passed the following day (as if he had made a truce with death) in ordering his affairs, and now all things being finished, he received the bleffed Sacrament with much devotion, and feemingly satisfied with the unevitableness of his fate, commanded his chief Phisician, to give him timely notice, some hours before he must expire. A while after, being warned as he had defired, he rose up, and being placed in a Chair at the Table, he caused his Will to be produced and read, in the presence of the Senatours of his King-Amongst other Legacies, he had left the Crown to his Son, and appointed his Queen, Regent and Tutress during his minority. His Testament being read, he demanded if there were any amongst them, who had any thing to say against it, but no body answering, he figned it, as also very many other Instruments, Orders, Letters, and the like. When there remained nothing more to be done, as if tyred with labour, he demanded rest, but being shown his Bed by his Attendants, he replied, that he should dye as soon as he entred into it; but added, this also must be hazarded, manifesting no less courage in his last moment, than he had done in the whole course of his life. Being therefore laid, he recommended his foul tohim that gave it, and with a gentle figh, expired betwixt the arms of Count Brake and Bidal, then next him.

And thus ended Charles Gustave King of Sweden, a Prince for Councel, for Industry and for Eloquence; not absurdly compared to Philip King of Macedon, and for greatness of mind to his son slexander. He had done many brave actions, being yet but a private man, but being come to the Crown, he invaded Poland, and having expelled the King, forced all the Orders of that Kingdom to swear fealty to him. Being returned, he repressed the Danes, who had made War upon him in his absence; and had if he had not been hindred, as we have already related, oppressed them altogether. I am not ignorant, how that not only this brave Princes Enemies, but many of his friends, did attribute the cause of his diftemper, and end, to a melancholly which he had contracted for the loss of his Army in Funen. I will not say, but this blow was very sensible, as being the only material difgrace which he had vet fuffered from fortune; but that he should fink under it, was below fo vast a mind: Neither did he ever say or do any thing since, that might betray him to fo great a weakness. His reception of the Palfgrave and Sternbock immediately after their defeat, had nothing of harsh in it; and his treating of them afterwards, shewed him rather a just recompenser, than a despiser of unfortunate vertue: for he for he continued the one in his Government of schonen, and intrusted the other with the Command of his Armies, and the Isles in Denmark in his absence. I can say somewhat upon my own knowledge; Upon the Kings return to Cronenburg after the Battle, I had the honour to be in the presence, and being called, his Majesty asked me what newes there was at Coppenhagen, and if their joy there for their late Victory was not very great? I answered, that they were indeed much heightened with it. His Majesty thereupon was pleased to tell me the whole manner of the Battle, and what Regiments, and what particular persons did well: concluding, that no body was a Master of Fortune, and that nothing was more casual than War: but the blow was not great, and not meanly repaired, in the fatisfaction he had, that his men had fought well.

King Charls being thus dead in the flower of his age, for he was but thirty seven years and three months old, was much lamented by all sorts of men. The Souldiers bewailed him not as their General, but as their common Parent. Only the Swedes hating his severity, and the continual dangers he engaged them in, seemed to grieve least. Besides, the great ones of the Kingdom did not obscurely foresee, that the administration of the publick affairs, during the Kings minority, and the Regents Government, would of course fall into their hands; which did likewise happen: For the Senators and Chief Officers having no body to oppose or awe them, acted now with more liberty and secureness. And truly, their Councels were more moderate, for they did now dare to profess, that they defired that Peace which their magnanimous Prince had so often rejected. Letters were therefore with by the Queen, in her Sons

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name, and subscribed by all the Senators then prefent, to the Mediators, which witnessed the same: For the young King having in them bemoaned the untimely death of his Father, did not obscurely intimate his desires for Peace. Upon receipt of these Letters, The French Embassadour, Sir Robert Honywood, and Monsieur Febr. Slingland, went to Elzineur, where they found the Swedes not only inclinable to Peace, but brought the fo often required Declaration for it, with them, back to Coppenhagen. The sum of the said Declaration was, that the King of Sweden would embrace Peace, and that upon the Basis of the Rosselld Treaty, so that besides the restoring of Drentheym as his deceased Father and designed, in fa- 1650 vour of the Mediatours, out of a desire to hasten the Peace: and Dec. 28 besides the Conventions formerly agreed upon with the said Media- 1660. tors, it should be of full force in all its Articles; excepting where 740.7. the exigency of the present posture of affairs, did necessarily require some alteration, and such changes as should be agreed upon by both Kings Commissioners, by mediation, and interposing of the three States. The above mentioned Conventions with both Kings, were, that the King of Sweden should not exact for the future, any Toll or Imposition, from any armed or Merchant Ships, either in the Sound or Baltick Sea. Nor the King of Deumark (who was to content himself with the old and usual Taxes) impose any new, upon any Vessel whatsoever, belonging to the Subjects of the 3 aforesaid States. The Declaration did further intimate, that the King satisfied with the justice and integrity of the Mediators, did refer all to their industry and endeavours; and that he would restore to the King of Denmark, such places as should appertain to him by force of the Treaty, after the Peace was concluded and ratified, at that very time which should be prefixed by the Mediators for their evacuation. As for the King of Poland and the Elector of Brandenburg, he did profels, that he did willingly consent that both of them, if they pleased, might be included in the Treaty, and that he was ready to compose all differences and controversies which were rifen betwixt himself, and either or both of them. The Mediators having received this Declaration, address themselves to the King of Denmark, tell him how far they had proceeded with the other party, and defired he would be pleased likewise to declare his intention, in order to the hoped Accommodation. But the King abhorring the thoughts of the Rotschild Treaty, delayed his answer, which obliged the Mediators to deliver him a Paper, wherein they pressed him to vouchsafe an Answer to their Proposals, and that without any delay, as he had promifed by his Declaration of the fifth of March new stile; urging further, that the least demur would be extreamly prejudicial to his affairs and interests, But the King continued in his resolved silence, which obliged the Datch Plenipotentiaries, forced to it by the incessant importunities of the English and French Ministers, to withdraw their Naval Auxiharies from his service, which they were the more inclined to do, being it appea-

The Dutch Fleets had Wintered in Coppenhagen, being detained

March appeared by the Lord Sieno Bielke's Letters (for he believed that the Treaty of Elbing, as he had understood from the English Plenipotentiaries, was to begin and be of force from that day) to Marshal Wrangle, that the Swedes had inhibited all further hostility against the Dutch, and permitted an entire liberty to their shipping to

fail whither they pleafed.

there by the rigour of the cold, but the warmer Spring having diffolved those congealed Waves which had shackled them thus long, fifteen of the greatest men of War, because unweeldiest, and con-Nov.1. fequently unfittest for those Narrow Seas, were fent home with Egbert Mem/e, who in cenfideration of his own deferts, and Opdam's recommendation, succeeded De Witte in the Vice-Admiralship. The rest of the Navy, excepting only three men of War (sent with Corn and other Provisions, under the Command of Captain Barkel into Funen, for relief of the Netherland Troop inquartered there, was ordered to shut up the Haven of Landskrown, which was scarcely yet effected, when the Dutch Commissioners, who had alfo the Supream Military as well as Civil power, fent their Admiral new Orders, by an Express, to abstain from further hostility against the Swedes, to withdraw his Fleet from before the Haven of Lanfkrown, and to suffer the Smedish ships to pass and repass at pleasure. De Ruster being upon the point to depart, was retarded by King Fredericks sudden and unexpected arrival in the Flees. His Majesty hastened thither with some Fire-ships, before the Dutch should quit their station, full of hopes to ruine the Smediff Fleet; and had obtained so much from the Admiral, that however pressed by his Orders to be gone, he did not dare to leave him there alone. The Dutch Embassadours being acquainted by De Ruyter's Letters of the Kings resolution and design, and that the Swedes made preparation to go to Sea, were at a stand. It seemed dishonourable and unbecoming their friendship, to abandon the resolved King, who protefted he would not ftir thence, till he had put his defign in execution. and to countermand their Orders, feemed to question the fincerity of their intentions and promises. In this streight, they bethought themselves that the Swedes had not as yet given any real affurance that they would not disturb the Dutch Navigation and traffick & they therefore fent new commands to De Ruyter, not to ftir till further Orders, and in the mean time resolve to expect the return of one of their Gentlemen, which they had fent the day before to Helsingneur to the Swedes Commissioners, with their instrument of Ceffation, who was to bring another with him from them of the same force and tenour. The day following, they wrote again to the aforefaid Commissioners, assuring them, That they would immediately recall their Fleet upon the receipt of their Instrument of Pacification, and give commands for the future, that no manner of hostility should be used against any of their shipping whatsoever. And they proved as good as their words, for the Messenger being

returned the same Evening with the defired Instrument, and the King being come back to Coppenhagen without attempting what he had so confidently undertaken, for his Fire- works did not take, they torthwith sent De Ruyter Orders to come away with the Fleet, the which notwithstanding he could not perform, by reason of contrary Winds and the adverse stream, until the second day following. The fense and tenour of the two Instruments was in effect the fame; to wit, a reciprocal promise and engagement, that no force or injury should be committed on either side, against the Ships of War, or Burthen of the other, for the future; and in case any should happen before notice could be given to their several Commanders, that all fuch loffes should be immediately and fully satisfied and repaired. The Swedes Commissioners, had together with the faid Instrument, fent the Dutch Embassadours other Letters, wherein having magnified their candor, fincerity and defires for Peace, they required that the Treaty of Elbing might be ratified with all speed, and that in the mean time it might begin, and be of force, to all intents as if it were already ratified and confirmed. But this being waved for the present, the Dutch thought it enough to keep to their Ceffation, and therefore as they had ordered their Navies not to all, so they fent an Express to Sir William Killegrem, their Collonel General in Funen, with Instructions to keep his Souldiers within the Island, and to attempt nothing a

gainst the swedes, unless first provoked by them.

The English Commissioners in the interim, looking upon the Dutch delays but as delutions, and troubled that the Fleet was not returned according to the first Orders, wrote a sharp Letter to their Embassadours, wherein having minded them with what incessant endeavours they had fought for Peace, and how averse the King of Denmark was from it, who had not vouchfafed an Answer to their equitable and preffing defires. They befought them, that as they had formerly made War by Sea and Land upon the King of smeden, when he refused Peace, they would now, not unmindful of the rules of inflice, and their re-iterated Engagements, withdraw all their Succours from the King of Denmark, who did at present, and had for some Moneths absolutely refused the wayes of Accommodation; being therefore that the Swedes had abundantly witnessed their propensies for Peace, as appeared by their Declaration of the twenty ninth of Pebruary, and that it was evident that the King of Denmark, however pressed by the Mediators, had no such thoughts, but only to gain time by his shiftings and delays, which was so prejudicial to the Common-wealth: They required that they would endeavor to force Denmark now, as they had done Sweden formerly, to accept of Peace, and that they would abstain from all manner of injurious actions, and hostility against the Swedes, now openly profeffing their defires for rest and quietness. They added in case they would not, that they should be obliged to declare in the Name of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of England, that the Dutch

had violated the Covenants made betwixt the two Nations, and that it should be lawful for the faid Parliament to demand reparation for all such breaches and unsufferable provocations. But the Fleet having quitted Lanskrown, as is mentioned, the Mediators laying afide these altercations for the present, repair to the King again, and joyntly entreat him, that he also would at length, as the Swedes had already done, be pleased to give in his Declaration for Peace; which he yet deferted, in expectation of the return of an Express which he had sent into Holland; hoping that the induftry and endeavours of his Embassadour at the Hague, would incline the States General to procure him better conditions. In the mean time, he demanded of the Dutch Ministers, what return they did expect for their expences in the War? for it concerned him to know it in time, because those charges, how vast soever, were to be required from the Swedes as the Authors of it, before the Peace should be concluded. But these cross questions were but to gain time, whilest the Danish Embassadours pressed the States with their sollicitations at the Hague. Amongst other things, they highly complained, that their Plenipotentiaries in Denmark, had upon the bare receipt of the Swedish Declaration, rashly and inconsiderately recalled their Fleet from before Lanskrown, and that without fo much as consulting their King, which was of so mischievous a consequence to him, that the Swedes by this means let loofe, had already intercepted many Veffels belonging to his Subjects, and did daily rove at the Gates of Coppenbagen, and that in fight of the States Fleet without controul. They further defired them to call to mind, the Leagues betwixt both Nations, and those engagements they had made to profecute the War, until Denmark were restored to its pri-Rine tranquility and condition: They therefore befought them, that they would defift from that fatal Ceffation, which had loft them their Islands last year, and now the occasion of ruining the Swedish Fleet in the Haven of Lanskrown, with those fire-ships they had prepared for that defign, and command De Ruster to act vigotoufly against their Enemies, until they did declare that they would embrace an equitable peace, wherein the Danes might find security for the future, and compensation for their past and present sufferings. Neither did these complaints of the Embassadours prove wholly fruitless, being the Swedish Declaration, which made no specifick mention of the Hagues Conventions, was not judged ample enough, but more especially, because of the diffidence there was that the effects of it should not so suddenly follow, as was defired.

The States therefore profess by their Letters to their Ministers in Denmark, the dislike of the removal of their Fleet from Lanshown, and the licentious ravaging of the Swedes at Sea: adding, that I the Peace were not yet made, and that it should appear that the Swedes were the cause of this delay, that they should then not only hinder their Naval excursions, but employ all their Sea and Land

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Forces, to compel them to it with all imaginable speed and vigour. And this indeed was the Embassadours design, before they granted the Swedes the above mentioned Cessation; to the which they were not only inclined, by the Swedes aforesaid Declaration, but chiefly because the King of Denmark did then against all expectation

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But to return to Coppenhagen, the above-mentioned Messenger Mar. being arrived, the Mediators were fent for to Court, where in- 18. stead of the Declaration they did expect, they were demanded by the Kings Order, what change the Swedes defired in the Treaty of Rossebild? To which the Dutch answered, that the Mediators were not very follicitous of that, only defired to know, whether his Majesty would be pleased also to give his Declaration for Peace? Adding, that otherwise they should be necessitated to ob-ferve and put in execution the Commands or their Superiours. After many Contests to and fro, the King lest he might seem altogether averse from Peace, did at last promise, that he would the following day, deliver the fo much defired Declaration, and that in the same form that the Swedes had given theirs, which he also did. During these disputes, the Swedish Commissioners had by the instigation of the French Embassadours, pressed the Dutch to a conjunction of Arms with them, by vertue of the Treaty of Elbing, the which ought as they pretended, to begin and be of force from that time they had exhibited their Declaration for Peace: but they were answered, that that could not be under that pretext, but rather by vertue of the Treaty made betwixt the three States, which also was now needless to urge, being affairs were in so hopeful a way of being accommodated without coming to those extremities. The Dutch Embaffadours did moreover complain, that Coyet the Swedish Legat at the Hague, had endeavoured to bring the said Treaty of Elbing, to the test again, and subject its illustrations, the product of so much sweat and time, to new and impertinent disquisitions. But the Kings Declaration filenced these unseasonable disputes, and now both their Commissioners by the intervention of all the Mediators met in the Tents again; and seemed to re-assume their Treaty with better hopes of success than before.

The Dutch Fleet being retired from Lanskrown, they were followed by eight Swedish Men of War, who having saluted the Admiral, cast Anchor near him, and began to shut up the Haven of Coppenhagen once more. Hence many Merchants Ships of burthen, being ignorant of what had happened were intercepted, and that Naval Commerce which the befieged had hitherto freely enjoyed was interrupted. But this mischief was timely remedied, for the Dutch Embassadour's upon notice hereof, commanded De Ruyter not to fuffer any hostility whatfoever within fight of his Fleet, which he was so careful to perform, that when the Swedes had fent three Men of War to lye at Draker, he also did send as many to wait upon . them there. The Smedes feeing themselves thus observed, pretend-

ing want of provision (and indeed the Treaty advanced but untowardly) hoised sail again, and returning to Lanskrown, came to Anchor at the entry of their Haven, ready there upon all occasions. The three Ships which were at Draker, making towards the East Sea, fell upon a Galliot coming from Holsteyn, which they took, and in it Field-Marshal Schack, and John Alefeld Lieutenant General of the Horse, both going to Coppenhagen, being sent for by the Kings orders. They were carried Prisoners to Malmuyen, and being delivered to Marshal Steinbock Governour of Schonen, were kept in safe custody by his command. Sir Walter Vane came with them from Funen, but was immediately set at liberty without ransom (the Swedes supposing the Peace betwist themselves and the States already concluded) and permitted to continue his journey to Coppenhagen, the Messenger of this unhappy accident.

In the mean time, there was no industry omitted to bring the

Treaty to a happy iffue, but being the meetings of the two Kings Commissioners, by reason of that distances and those animosities which their fresh differences had bred, seemed fruitless, they were content upon the Mediators pressing desires, to give in their several Propositions and Demands by writing, permitting also in some fort, the management of their several Incerests to their united Arbitration, at least wife to their industry and endeavours. The Mediators knowing now what they both required, laboured to compole an instrument which might be acceptable to the one and the other, moderating the defires of the one, to the content and fatisfaction of the other. After much toil, and time, and conferences, and after many heats, and disputes, not only betwixt the Mediators and the Ministers of both parties, but also betwirt the Mediators amongst themselves, especially about the compensation of losses, and the remitting of the 400000 Crowns, which the Swedes demanded for their Guiney dammages, the business seemed fairly advanced, and the Articles were well nigh all agreed to, when an unexpected stop was put to these proceedings, by the English and French Ministers, demanding a further explanation upon the Elucidations of the Treaty of Elbing. The difficulty, was about the extent of the defensive Article comprised in the same: for being that Treaty was to be of force, as foon as the Peace betwixt the two Kings should be concluded, the English judged it, as it was indeed reasonable, to clear that point first. Before this remera could be removed, behold another and no less surprising accident, which did not only disturb the whole Negotiation, but hurried the Mediators themselves, but too much diffenting before, into a manifest and open rupture. The States General, being as we have mentioned, not fully satisfied with the Swedes Declaration, and fancying that the uncontrouled liberty which they had to rove at Sea fince De Ruyters withdrawing from Lanskrown, had rendered them less inclinable to quietness, had by redoubled Orders commanded their Ministers in Denmark, that in case the Swedes had not already accepted of Peace, according to their

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their Declaration they should (all delayes laid aside) following the Conventions between the three States, compel them to it by main force. The wary Swedes had notice of these resolutions, neither did the Dutch Plenipotentiaries deny their reality when they were interrogated concerning them by the swediff Commissioners, who for all that looked upon them (being they seemed too violent) but as fictitious, and published on purpose the better to conceal the true defign. But the Dutch feeing their fecrets (by a mischief unavoydable in Commonwealths by reason of the multitudes of Mafters) discovered, acknowledged openly and ingeniously that they were indeed the true and real intentions and refolves of the States, which they would positively follow, and execute against fuch who were averse from Peace. The Swedes, as also the other Mediators, seeing the Dutch thus determined, were at a stand, for being these only were armed, it was supposed they might dare any thing. This therefore being foreseen, the English and French club'd Councels apart, not a little follicitous, least the Dutch forgetting the limits of Mediation, should render themselves Umpires and Arbitrators of the whole Negotiation. This jealousie was much lightened the next day, when as the Dutch having framed a new Defign or Project for Peace, however conformable to the Rosschild and Hagnes Treaties, did not flick to deliver the same in writing to Terloon did indeed accept of the Instrument, but the English, being it was made without the affent of all the Mediators, abfolutely refused it, although they suffered it to lie upon their Table, being laid and left there by the Dutch Plenipotentiaries them-The English and French being much perplexed at these proceedings, bethought how best to prevent their progress; two dayes after, Terloon having largely professed his desires for an Accommodation, presented an Instrument in writing, which the English had framed, to be affented to and figned by all the Mediators. The fum of it was, That nothing should be done or concluded, or be valid, or invalid, in the prefent Negotiation, that was not done by the nnanimous Act and Confent of all the Mediators, and being the greatest difficulties was about the 400000 Rixdollars, it was subjoyned that that Mould be referred to the Arbitration of their respective superiours them-The Dutch perceiving the drift of this Defign, replied, That all new Obligations would be superfluous, they being sufficiently bound by the Hagues Treaty, neither could they confent to their reference concerning the moneys, being the weight of that burthen would probably fall upon the Danish accompt. The tollowing dayes were for the most part fpent in heats and eager disputes, and the differences and diffidences grew daily, yea hourly, more and more betwixt them, especially being the English did not cease to move new difficulties about the Elbing Treaty. But all these contests did not surpass the modesty of words, nor was there any hostility encreased betwixt these great Diffenters. The Dutch Fleet lay before the Haven of Coppenhagen, and the Swedes had theirs fecure in that of Lanskrown. De Ruyter

had indeed Orders to observe the Swedes, and to oppose them with all his might, in case they attempted any thing. And it was not long ere this vigilant Commander found an opportunity of acting, for the Swedes, notwithstanding the reiterated warnings given them, fancying nothing less than an interruption, and thinking themselves fecure, by vertue of their exchanged instruments of Cessation, and Liberty with the Dutch, failed out of Lanskrown with nine Men of War, one Merchant ship, and a small Ketch, and came to Anchor under the Island of Ween, where they lay two dayes. The Dutch Embassadours observing this, sent Cornelius Everson Rear-Admiral of Zealand, with seven men of War to the Sound, to hinder their passage through that Streight, in case they attempted it. De Ruyter continued with ten Ships where he had hitherto lain (the rest of his Vessels being sent into the Baltick Sea) with a resolution to oppose them if they made that way. The Swedes being as they pretended bound for Stockbolm, having got a good Wind hoifed fail, but being advanced as far as the Shallowes near Southbolm, their Admiral received a Letter from De Ruyter (which the Embassadours had for fear of mistakes dictated for him, as they also had done for Everson, in case the Swedes had designed to pass the Sound) desiring him to Anchor where he was, for if he should endeavour to pass further, he was resolved to oppose him, least he might attempt any thing contrary to the tenor of the Swedes Declaration, or prejudicial to the present Treaty. The Swede amazed with these unaccustomed commands, and doubtful what to do, was at length forced to submit: for being unequal in strength, though equalin number of Ships, he obeyed De Ruyters second summons, which was a Cannon Buller, and letting fall his fails, after mutual falutation came to Anchor, Cornelius Everson who followed the Swedes, took his station betwixt them and Lanskrown, and the next day De Ruster drawing nearer to them environed them round, to take from them all possibility of escaping in case they attempted it. The Dutch Embassadours were at the time of detaining the Swedes Ships, upon the top of the round Tower at Coppenhagen, and perceiving the motion of the Fleets, De Haybert and Haren went forthwith on board de Ruyter, to give fuch Orders as they should judge necessary; from whence they likewise sent the Swedes Admiral word, that what they had done was to further the Peace, and not out of delign to prejudice him in the least, which he might be affured of. The Swedes Commissioners were extreamly vexed at the detension of their Ships; and complaining bitterly against de Ruyter's insolence, required that they might be suffered without delay, to continue their journey to Stockholm, whither they were designed. The English and French Embassadours fretted yet higher, and accusing the Dutch of breach of Faith, and violation of Covenants, demanded the instant relaxation of the Ships; threatning that in case they would not, that they would treat no further with them, but revenge with all their power, those indignities and injuries, which were offered to England and

to France. The Dutch Embassadours replied, that what they had done was but to further the Peace, which if feriously and fincerely intended, would be easily compassed, and least any thing might intervene which might disturb and interrupt it; in the interim, they only endeavoured to oblige the Swedes to put their Declaration in May After this, they wrote Letters to the English and French, wherein they professed, That they did not vary from any of those Articles contained in their former Project; adding, that as for the Treaty of Elbing, there was the fame provision both in it, and in its Illustrations, made for France and England, as for Sweden and the United Provinces, if they would but be included in it. They did therefore conjure them, that they would add their endeavours to theirs, according to the fo often mentioned Conventions, and thei nstructions of their respective superiours, in the procuring of a fudden and fetled Peace. The English and French perceiving the Dutch had made no mention in their Letters of the detained Ships. tancied they jeered them, and therefore repeated, by most bitter rescriptions, what they had declared before by word of mouth, and sending expresses into England, France, and Holland, acquainted their several Masters, and their Masters Ministers, with what had hitherto happened in Denmark. The Dutch Embassadours seeing that the other Mediatours had resolved to treat no more with them, until they first released the Ships, did send their above said Project for Peace to the Swedes Commissioners, with Letters to the Camp demanding their answer. Another Instrument of the same tenour was delivered to the great Master of Denmark, and both parties invited to accept of those Forms. But the Swedes delaying their Anfwer, were again pressed though in vain; for they affirmed, they would not treat any further unless their Ships were first at liberty? Hereupon the Dutch resolved to fight the said detained Ships, and to make War upon the Swedes, now manifestly refusing Peace, which they also had done, if the Danes themselves fearing the continuation of their milery, and the perpetuity of thele destroying contests had not dissiwaded them from it. In the mean time, the English and French Embassadours had daily conferences with the Swedes in their Tents and Camp, and did mainly endeavour to make up a Peace betwixt the two Kings without the Dutch. But the Danes were not to be separated from their Deliverers; neither would the Swedes however irritated against the Dutch, conclude entirely without them. But so much was effected, that both Kingdoms were more defirous of Peace, and their Ministers now at more liberty and freedom, by reason of the diffentions of the imperious Mediatours, endeavoured the composing of it more than ever. And finding themselves well nigh at their own disposal, and unconstrained, they urged the business with more fervour than before, and advanced fo far, that they agreed upon all the Articles of the Treaty, except only on the term to be designed for the withdrawing of the Swedish Troops, and Garrisons out of the Countrey. Here-

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upon the Swedes Commissioners composed an Instrument of Pacification, according to their Conventions with the Danes, and fent it May 15 into the City, which being examined, was not only found to quadrate with the Hagues Treaties, and the above mentioned Projects for Peace, but also to contain several more advantageous conditions for Denmark, than they did hope for. The chief controverted points were about the remission of the 400000 Crowns, the restitution of the Island of Bornholm, and the possessions of the Gentry and Nobilities goods in Schonen; all which were concluded as the Danes defired, for the aforesaid sum was absolutely remitted; the Goods and Lands were restored to their true owners; and the Island was left in the King of Denmarks possession for a whole year, with power to redeem it for its value, by exchange or otherwife, or reftore it at the expiration of the faid time. The Treaty being thus far advanced without the Mediators, the King left they might feem neglected, fent for the four Dutch Deputies to Court, where the Ryx-hoff-mafter in presence of his Majesty and Senators, told them, that they had agreed with the Swedes to the content of both parties, except only the time of evacuation, or clearing the Country of the Souldiers. The Embassadours having congratulated his Majesty hereupon, congratulated also the Swedes Commissioners by Letters upon the happy progress of affairs, and invited them, notwithstanding the finister interpretations of some men, meaning the English and French, to the fanction of the Treaty of Elbing, the which, together with its Illustrations, they defired might be forthwith ratified and confirmed. Some few dayes after, not only these Demands of the Dutch were affented to, but all other differences and defires accommodated, and concluded by confeat of both Kings, and all the Mediators; fo that the detained Ships were thereupon left to their liberry, and by De Ruyter's removal from them, permitted to fail whither they pleased, which did not happen without the congratulatory thunder of the Cannon on both fides. During this Treaty for Peace, the thoughts of War were not fo

laid afide, but that feveral encounters and light skirmishes happened betwixt the City and Camp Militia. The befieged heightened with their former successes, thought of attempting somewhat more extraordinary, and therefore fallying out by night with all their Horfe, Mar. 4. fell upon the Enemies Stations or Posts with the same confidence, though not with the same success, as they had formerly done; for the Swedes having notice of their defigns, and ready, received and charged them fo rudely, that they forced them to fave themselves by flight within their Works, five of their men being taken prisoners, and feveral of them flain. The following Month they made another attempt, but with no better fortune, for they were repelled in the Kings presence, and lost threescore foot which they had taken with them to strengthen their Horse. The Swedes also had designed the furprifing of the City Cattle which fed under the Walls, to which

purpose they hastened thither with all their Horse; but their intent

being likewise known, the Cattle were secured, and the Encmy forced by the Cannon from the Ramparts to keep at a distance. They yet returned some dayes after with a thousand Horse, and threw May 21 down a Breast-work not far from the ruined Suburbs on the West side of the Town, which annoyed them, the which was again raised by the Coppenhageners two dayes after. The Smeaes were also busse in other parts of the Kingdom, for having gathered some small Vessels upon the Coasts of Holsteyn, they landed by Nysted, but being repelled thence, they resolved to try their fortune on the Isle of Fameren, though not with better success, for the Danes having retired their Troops into a strong double Ditched Fort which they had there, contained themselves in it, until they were re-inforced by fresh supplies out of Holsteyn, which obliged the Enemy to re-

tire to their Ships again.

But Denmark was not alone the stage of War, neither was it here only that the treaties for Peace were in agitation. Poland, the feat of fo many miferies, was at length delivered from the oppteffion of their inteffing Enemies, by the Treaty of oliva. This Treaty was chiefly managed by the French, their Embaffadour being the only Mediator admitted in it. The Dutch had indeed fent an Extraordinary Deputy to the Polish Court, but he was received there without Ceremony, scarce civility, upon pretext they were not acquainted with his Character, it being a new thing with them. His Mediation was likewise waved, the French influence (the Queen being Ascendant) being too strong, and the jealousies which they began to entertain of the Imperialifts, not a little formed. Neither was he more acceptable to the Smedes, his visit to their Plenipotentiaries, being but repayed by a complement by their Secretary, upon pretence he was lodged in Dantsick an Enemies Town; and his interpolition wholly refused, being looked upon as a party, so that he was but an idle Spectator, as to the main in the faid Treaty. But for all the States exclusion, the Emperour and the Electour of Brandenburg were not only included in the faid Pacification, but the old Friendship and Concord renewed, by a new Act of Oblivion, betwixt them and Sweden. Only King Frederick for whose sake they had armed, (their own business being now done) feemed forgot in that Treaty, the Commissioners giving this reason for it, that the Danish affairs could not commodiously be decided at that distance, being also at that time treated in Denmark it felf, not without great hopes of success. But the Danes troubled to be thus abandoned by their Allies, were fo much the more defirous of Peace. They were indeed supported at present by the Forces of the United Provinces, and with hopes our of England of more powerful Succours, the Scene being there changed by the happy restitution of King Charles the Second, to his hereditary Dominions. This great Princes restauration did indeed contribute much to the present reconciliation, for the Englift Commissioners fore-seeing their authority would quickly expire, and loth to quit their Province without effecting what they R 2 came

came for, urged it; the swedes confidering the ties of blood and friendship betwixt the two Kings, Charles and Frederick, did defire it. And truly the same reason prevailed with the Dutch, but upon another accompt, to wit, left they should be pressed by this great King to continue the War, until Frederick his Friend and oppressed were restored to his entire Dominions, which the victorious Swedes had so miserably mutilated. Only the Danes, the only sufferers, were thought not fo forward, especially being obliged by this second Treaty, once more to quit all their pretentions which they had so lavishly divested themselves of in the former War, But they fore-seeing that the ayds from England, the King being not yet fully established in his Kingdoms, could not be fudden; and that the vast expences which they were daily at in feeding fo many Armies within their Country, would necessarily ruine it; seemed to prefer a certain Peace before the uncertainties of a War. All parties being then agreed, and that happy day, which by a hopeful Peace was to put a period to this unhappy War being come, the two Kings Commissioners and all the Mediators (if they may be properly called fo, who feemed intereffed asperties) met in the Tents again, where the Treaty elaborated with fo much industry and pains, was signed; first by the Mediators, and afterwards by the Commissioners of the two Kings; and then exchanged and delivered in the mid way betwixt the Danish lodges and the Swedish Tents, by the Mediators themselves, a little before Sun fet, to the Commissioners of both Kings. This being done the Affembly broke up, the Swedes returning to their Camp, and the Danes into the City; where both from their Walls, as also from their Fleets which lay before the Town, witnessed their joy for this happy Accommodation, with the more pleafing noises of their great and small shot. The Peace was proclaimed the same night in all the publick places of the City, by a Herald with his Scepter and Coat of Arms, with the tintamar of Drums and Trumpets, whilest every individual published his satisfaction with more than usual fignes of joy. The following dayes the Swedes came into the Town, and the Danes went into the Camp without exception, neither fatisfying their greedy eyes, and their curiofities with the contemplation of those unaccustomed sights, whilest both admired, and secretly condemned those things which they had found by experience to have been hurtful to them. But this entercourse did not last long, for the fourth day after the figning of the Peace, the Prince of Sulsbach did according to the Articles of the Treaty, draw all his Forces, which were 3000 Horse and Foot out of the Camp, and putting them into Battle array betwixt that and the City, made a stand there, exposing his Army and himself to the view of the Danes, who flocked thither in multitudes to fee fo goodly a fight. A while after having commanded his Cannon, and all the Muskets and Pistols of his Army to fire twice round, he left the City to its pristine Liberty, and the Camp to the Danes disposal, and marched with his whole Army towards Rotfebild. THE END.



The Articles of the Treaty of Peace betwixt the Two
Northern Crowns, concluded and subscribed by
the Mediators and the Commissioners of both
Kings June in the Tear
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List, Let there be a firm, perpetual, and irrevocable Peace, between the two Kings and their Successours, the Kingdomess ountreys, Councellors, Ministers, Subjects and Inhabitants of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden; so that all suspicions, ill-will, diffidence, discord, enmity and Wars be forgot and taken away on both sides; as also whatever happened in or before the War, be buried by a general Amnisty in oblivion: But on the contrary, let there be restored and conserved a perpetual Friendship, mutual Benevolence, Concord and wal good Neighbourhood; so that the one shall both by word and actions, promote and detend the good and welfare of the other, as his own, and also avert and impede for as much as in him lies, what ever may be prejudicial and hurtful to the Person, Government, Kingdoms, Countreys and Subjects of the other.

And that these things may the better be done, and a mutual confidence be cherished and conserved betwire the two Kings and their Kingdoms of Sweden and Denmark, let all considerations made with any Powers, Kings, Princes, States and Commonwealths whatsoever, in prejudice of each other, be taken away and rejected on both sides; so that also neither shall make any League against the other for the suture, nor succour or affish the Enemies of each other, under any pretext whatsoever.

It is also agreed and concluded, that all Ships whether armed or unarmed, whether great or small, with what Merchandise or Lading soever, belonging to the King of Smeden or his Subjects, to the inhabitants of Smeden, or Provinces, Countreys, or Cities subject to it, shall not only be free in the Sound and Bels, from all Taxes, Tolls, Inquisitions and Visitings whatsoever, but also shall not need to have or shew any Certificates of their Ladings, provided they only exhibit and shew their lawful Sea-passes, at his Majesty of Denmark's Toll-houses at Elzineur or Newburg. As for those goods without Merchandise, which belong or appertain to the King of Smeden

Sweden or his successors, his subjects the Inhabitants of Sweden, as also those that dwell in other Provinces, Regions, or Cities subject to it, but carried in forraign Bottoms, the Order appointed in the Treng of Bremsbro, as to their Certificates shall be observed, in that sense, that if they but show their lawful Certificates, they shall then be suffered to pass through the Sound or Bels without impediment, detention, interdiction, or any exaction of Tell what soever. But Swedish goods carried in Forreign Bottoms, that can produce no lawful Certificates, shall be obnoxious to examination, and pay Tell in the Sound or Bels.

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As the Castle and Government of Babuys, as also the Provinces of Schonen, Bleking, and Halland, together with all their appurtenances, Cities, and Castles, Islands, Rocks, with the Island of ween surrendred afterwards, with all other Superiorities, Preheminences, Regalities, Jurisdictions, as well Ecclesiastical as Secular, goods, rents, tolls, rights, as well by Sea as Land, by what name foever they come, as the Kings of Denmark and Norway have formerly possessed them, have by the Peace of Resichild, concluded in the year 1658, on the 26 of February, betwixt the King and Kingdom of Denmark, and the King of Smeden, been yielded and given over to be joyned and incorporated to the Kingdom of swelden, for an everlatting and undisturbed possession, as it appears by peculiar Acts and Letters of Cession, dated Coppenbagen the 24 of February 1658, and figned and subscribed by the King and Senators of Denmark. So the Concession of the said Provinces, Countreys, and Governments, are by these presents confirmed and strengthened in such fort, that the said Provinces, Countreys and Governments, with all the Cities, Forts, Castles, Islands, Rocks, Superiorities, Preheminences, Jurisdictions, and Rights, as is above mentioned, shall remain now and for ever, in the perpetual and uninterrupted possession of the King of sweden his successors and Kingdom.

And being it was judged fit to insert the Agreement about the Isle of Bornbolm in a separate Instrument; It is therefore concluded that the said Act shall be of the same vigour and force, as if it were comprehended verbatim amongst these Articles. And that it be ratisfied and observed by both Kings equal with the other Agreements and Conventions.

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Whereas the Nocturnal Fires which are instituted and kept betwixt Schagen and Falsterbo, to the great commodity of such as sail those wayes, are some of them situated within the Dominions of the King of Denmark, and maintained upon His Majesties charges; and others of them situated within the Dominions of Smeden, and ought to be nourished and maintained by His Majesty of Smeden. The King of Denmark only exacting Toll of such Ships as sail through through the Sound, under pretext of such fires: It is agreed, that the King of Denmark, shall pay yearly to the King of Sweden, in consideration of the charges and expences in nourishing the said fires, the sum of 3500 Ryxdollers, payable half thereof every fix moneths to His Majesty of Swedens publick Minister at Elzeneur or Elzenburg, it being further to be understood, that neither the King nor Kingdom of Sweden, shall either upon that or any other pretext whatsoever, pretend to demand or exact any Toll or Tribute within the Sound.

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It is also agreed, that as oft as one or more swedish Ships of War, whether great or little, do pass the sound, that they shall salute the Castle by shooting off their Guns according to the Swedish manner; and also receive the same honour from the said Castle, according to the manner of Denmark. And also the Danish Ship or Ships of War passing through the said Streight, shall likewise salute the Castle of Elzenburg, by shooting their Guns according to the Danish signal, and shall also be re-saluted from the Castle with the Swedish signal again. But if it happen that the Dane and Swedish Ships do meet at Sea, or in any Havens, what number soever the one or the other may be of, neither party shall be obliged to strike, but only to salute each other with their usual civility, mutually and amicably.

When ever it happens that either of the two Kings sends any Military Forces or Ships of War, whose numbers may breed suspicion, out of the Ocean into the Baltick Sea, or out of the Baltick into the Ocean; It is agreed and concluded, that if the Military Forces exceed twelve hundred, or the Ships sive in number, it shall then be notified three Weeks at least before hand, by His Majesty of Denmark at Elzenburg only, and by His Majesty of Smeden at Elzeneur, or Nemburg; when they pass the Belt without any other ceremony.

The King of Denmark doth also for Himself and his Successours, resign unto the King of Sweden His Successours, and the Kingdom of sweden, all jurisdiction as well Ecclesiastick as Secular, that he hath or doth pretend upon some goods seated in the Island of Rugen.

In like manner it is agreed, that the remainder of the sum which was to be payed for the Salt, wherewith the three Ships detained in the sound, about the beginning of the former War were loaden, shall be paid according to the liquidation made at Coppenhagen, and it is therefore agreed that His Majesty of Denmark shall cause the said remainder to be paid within one year and a day, unto such Merchants at Hamberough as His Majesty of Sweden shall appoint to receive the same.

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Moreover, all the Nobles who posses goods, and inhabit in the surrendred Provinces, Lands and Governments, shall be obliged to do homage, and take an Oath of sidelity to the King, his Successours and Kingdom of Sweden, and be surther bound to a due obedience, and allegeance, and services as they formerly were to the Kings of Denmark. In like manner, all the other Inhabitants of the said places, as well Ecclesiastical as Civil, Citizens and Country people, shall from this day and for ever, be bound to His Majesty, his Successours, and Kingdom of Sweden; and all Super-intendents and Priests, shall follow that Bishop, Super-intendent and Consistory, to whom His Majesty shall commit and injoyn them.

On the other fide, His Majesty and the Kingdom of Sweden do promise that all persons, Nobles or Ignoble, whether Ecclesiastick or Seculars, whether Citizens or Country people, dwelling in the Provinces or places furrendred, by this Treaty ought to retain their goods and proprieties, whether Inheritances, Emptions, Changes, Morgages, Grants, &c. And that in fuch manner, that they shall have power for the future of possessing, using, enjoying, and retaining the faid goods and proprieties as they formerly did; in like manner they shall retain their usual Rights, Lawes, Jurisdictions, Priviledges, and Immunities, such as are those Bine vita ac manus at & Patronatus, according to the Lawes and Constitutions of the Province, without all impediment or let, so far forth as they do not contradict or oppugne the fundamental Lawes of the Kingdom of Sweden, wherewith these surrendred Provinces and places shall hereafter be eternally united. What ever shall be determined and decided by Law, Justice or Judgement, or any other lawful way within those surrendred Provinces, that same shall hereafter continue so, altogether unchanged and unmoved. That it may also appear that His Majesty of Sweden out of His singular grace and indulgence, had rather better than diminish the condition of His Subjects, it is promised, That all the Nobles that will wholly subject themselves to the King and Kingdom of sweden, as for their persons, they shall enjoy all those Prerogatives and Priviledges, that the Subjects and Nobles of Sweden do enjoy, to wit, they shall be capable of being received and admitted into the Order of Knighthood, of the Nobles of Sweden, and may enjoy equally with them, the right of Voting, according to the first constitution of the Court of Knighthood; and that also so, that as many of the Nobles, who can prove that themselves or their Ancestours did enjoy the Office of a Senatour in the Kingdom of Denmark, may also be assured to be honoured with the Prerogative of being received into the second Classis of the Knightly Order of Sweden. The rest also may be received according to the Ordinance of the Court of Knighthood, and shall absolutely be deemed for Nobles of Sweden, and shall, provided they render themselves capable,

pable, enjoy the same access and admission to Benefices and Honours as the other Nobles of Sweden. His Majesty of Sweden doth likewise promise, that he will be no less careful in conferving the conditions priviledges & liberties of the others Orders in these surrendred Provinces, and provided they persevere in their duty to His Majesty of Sweden, they may entertain an assured hope of bettering their conditions, and enjoying the same Rights as the Natives of Sweden, for the acquiring of Offices and Advancement.

XIII. That all the Inhabitants, of what quality foever, none excepted, whether in Schonen or in Denmark, or in Norway, who have goods and properties in Schonen, Halland, Bleking, Babays, and the rest of the furrendred Provinces and Towns, may enjoy theth again, and retain them, together with all the moveables or immoveables which are found there, and that they take possession of them, the next Fedit of St. Fohn, together with all the priviledges, proprieties and rights, in like manner as had been agreed upon, and concluded in the Treaty of Rotschild, and afterwards encreased and bettered by His Majesty of Sweaen, and all without any revenge or loss for any thing done by any whatfoever, in the late War provided not? withstanding, that wary and moderate Commissioners be constitute ted on both fides, who may deal amicably betwire both parties. evenning and liquidating their accounts to the full fatisfaction of each one, the better to prevent all differences in their beginnings which might obstruct this wished for Peacepitana and and a the King of Denmark's Letters VI Keli

It is likewise consented to on both sides, that when the Fortresses are delivered to the King of Sweden's Commissioners, then all so all the Documents and Instructions concerning the Condition, Revenues, Rents, Borders, Shores, and Limits, and also those writings which concern the Administration of Justice, Books of Accompts, and others, which may relate to the knowledge of these things shall be delivered, in case any such be found, which are not as yet given over. This done, two or three Plenipotentiaties shall be appointed on both sides, with power to separate review, direct, and ordain, all the limits and borders betwirt the surrendred and their neighbouring Provinces and Governments, where they are not as yet reviewed, separated, directed and ordained whereby all controverses and differences may be the better declined, and every one enjoy that which is his, in peace and quietness.

On the other fide, the King his Successors and Kingdom of Sucden, do yield to the King his successors and the kingdom of Denmark, all those rights and pretensions which his Majesty of Sweden may have upon all the Fortresses, Fortifications, Isles, Provinces, Cities and Territories, which he mastered by force of his armes, namely, Zeland, Laland, Falfer, Meun, with all the Carles and Fortresses in them, as Nykoping, Naskon, Cooper, Cosser, Kenk and

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Gentlements Houses, and Territories whatsoever, which are not expressly excepted in this transaction, or not surrendred by sormer Covenants. And after they shall be rendered and restored, with all their appurtenances and rights, according to the tenour of this Treaty, they shall follow and belong to the King his Successors and Kingdom of Denmark, without any impediment whatsoever.

XVI.

And for the better establishing of mutual confidence and Amity betwixt these two Kingdoms, His Majesty and Kingdom of Sweden, will have no refusion for his expences, in those Fortifications which he raised in Denmark, but wil at the time of their evacuation, take care that they be all delivered intire, and in the state they are now in, to His Majesty and the Kingdom of Denmark.

X VII.

In like manner, at the instance of the Mediators, and for the love of Peace, the Pallace and Government of Brombeym, or cogether with all its subject Cities, Towns, Castles and Fortresses, as also all their Ecclesiastical and Secular goods, Governments, and appurtenances, as they were delivered to His Majesty of Sweden, by the Treaty of Roschild, shall be restored to the King, Kingdom and Crown of Denmark, to be re-annexed to the Kingdom of Normay for ever, without any reserve of pretension upon the same to the King, his Successors and Kingdom of Sweden; to which end, the King of Denmark's Letters of Cession made according to the sixt Article of the Treaty of Rossebild, shall be restored and cancelled.

XVIII.

In like manner, the Kings Majesty surrenders for Himself, His Successors, and the Kingdom of sweden, all the rights and pretensions that he had or shall have, as Duke of Bremen, upon the County of Delmenbers and Dismars, and transfers those his rights over to His Majesty of Denmark, his Successors, and the Dukes of Holseyn of the Royal and Gotton's Line, so that His Majesty of Sweden and his Successors, neither will, nor ought, either de jure, or de faste, ever to pretend any thing more upon these Countries. If also His Majesty of Sweden obtained any pretension, as Duke of Bremen heretofore, upon some Noblemens goods in Holseyn, that also is remitted, by vertue of this Treaty, and promise made that the documents which are to be found, and pertain herennto, shall be delivered to the King of Denmark, and the House of Holseyn of the Royal and Gottory Line.

XIX.

And that this renewed Friendship, may be laid upon a more firm foundation, the King and Kingdom of Sweden will let fall and remit, as they do hereby let fall and remit, that

that Right which His Majesty, or any of his subjects, pretend upon the four Tun of Gold for the Guiney business, so that henceforward nothing shall be demanded or required for that sum, but the King and kingdom of Denmark shall remain wholly acquirted and free from any payment, or least pretence thereof.

XX.

As also the Fortresses, as well those which have been taken in this War, as those which are surrendred by this Pacification, shall be delivered without Cannon, Carriages, or warlike Ammunition on both sides; except the Castle of Cronenburg, where according to agreement, those Cannon which were not brought thither by the Swedes, or have no Swedish Armes or Inscriptions upon them, shall be retained: So it is likewise agreed, that the Country people of those Governments, where those Fortresses are seated, shall be obliged to carry the Cannon and munitions of War to the Shore, where they may be most commodiously shipped and transported.

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It is also concluded and promised, that in those Fortresses which are to be surrendred on either side, there shall be a certain time determined, wherein he who so surrenders a fortissed place, shall conferve and keep his Ammunition of War which is at present there, until he may commodiously transport it elsewhere.

XXII.

All Captives, of what condition soever, shall immediately be set at liberty without Ransom: But as for their Diet, they shall satisfie that according to equity. In like manner all Danish subjects which the King and kingdom of Sweden caused to be transported into other places of their obedience whatsoever, may have free and unhindred liberty, to return again into their Native Countries. Such Prisoners who have taken up Arms under the Danes shall have liberty to return to their former Militia, as also such who are in the Swedes service, if they please, provided it be done within three Months after the Ratification of this Peace.

XXIII.

It is also agreed, that the places taken by either King, since the Peace of Rosschild, ought by force of this Treaty be restored to that party, whose they were, or ought to have been by the Treaty of Rosschild, and all the Swedish forces. Horse and Foot, shall be withdrawn out of all the Kingdoms, Provinces, Dutchies, and Lands belonging to the King of Denmark, within 14 dayes at most after the ratification of this Treaty, which ought to be within a Month after the conclusion of the Peace; in this manner, that as soon as the Peace is subscribed, and the same day that it is published, the Siege before Coppenhagen shall be raised, so that the Camp shall be

evacuated within the four following dayes, and Nycoping, Falfer, and Mean within the four next dayes after. And on the contrary, the Siege of Tonninger shall be raised, and all Ender stadt and Hufum evacuated. Eight dayes after Nascow shall be surrendred to the Danes, and about that time, as foon as Shipping is ready and at hand, the withdrawing of the Forces shall Commence; eight dayes after this, Koeg or Kenk shall be surrendred, and the Souldiers drawn out of it, as foon as the Ratifications are exchanged, within the Month after the figning of the Peace, and that the shipping for transporting the fouldiery are ready; within the four following dayes Corfeur shall be delivered up, and the Souldiery begin to be imbarked and transported, and at the same time the Duke of Hol-Beyn's Country shall be freed from all His Majestie of Denmark's fouldiers. Shortly after, the forces which remain, Horse and Foot shall imbark in convenient Havens, and likewise be withdrawn from Cronenburg, fo that that Fortress shall be wholly evacuated and surrendred the 15 day after the exchange of the Ratifications, or when the fix Weeks after the conclusion of the Peace are expired, and ar that very time all Zeland shall be delivered and cleared from the Swedifb fouldiers.

XXIV.

And that no force or injury be done during the faid term, to the inhabitants, in the changes of Fortresses and withdrawing of fouldiers, out of the Cities and Provinces, but that all things may be done in order, Commissioners from both sides shall be present, who shall both in the Towns and Ports take special care, that no force, direption of goods, or injuries be done to the Subjects, or any other unlawful thing imposed upon them, under pain of punishment to be inflicted upon the transgressour. And as it is necessary that provisions be made for the sustentation of the Swedish forces during their stay in the Country, but so, that after the day of concluding the Peace, nothing more shall be demanded from the subjects, under pretext of Redemption, or any other burthens whatfoever, but only what is needful for their tublistence whilest they stay in this Kingdom, and which shall be adjudged such, according to an appointment made by the Commissioners of both sides; and that the evacuation may the sooner and better be effected, His Majesty of Denmark shall forthwith command, in all convenient Havens in every Province, that Ships, Vessels, and Boats, with their necessaries, Men, Mariners, and implements, be gathered together and in a readiness, as His Majesty will also command, whereby the transport of the fouldiery, and the evacuation of places may be haftened, and not impeded, unless by contrary Winds. And all the Ships, together with their Marriners and men, and what ever elfe, shall be provided by Denmark for the faid evacuation, shall as foon as the transport is done; be released without any let or hinderance. XXV.

It shall also be free for all the subjects and inhabitants of the surrendred rendred Regions and Provinces, to transport themselves into any other Cities or places to dwell there, provided it be done according to the Statutes of the Provinces and priviledges of the Cities out of which they will transmigrate: what concerns the goods which in the time of War were carried into Cities for their security, the Masters and Owners thereof may redemand them, without contradiction and impediment.

XXVI.

The former transactions and Covenants, to wit, those of Stetin, Sioder, Bromsbro, and Ratschild (excepting the third Article, which is plainly excluded here) made betwixt these Noble Kingdoms, shall retain their force and vigour in all their Articles, and shall be confirmed as they were before the beginning of this War, and as if they were inserted word for word in this Treaty, unless in as much as they are expressly changed in this.

XXVII.

Whereas it is provided by the 22 Article of the Treaty of Rosf-child, that His Majesty of Denmark shall be obliged according to equity, to satisfie his Highness the Prince of Sleswick, the Duke of Holsteyn Gottorp, after that the Commissioners of both parts, as well of the King of Denmark's, as of his said Highness have treated, transacted, and concluded of the matter in difference at Coppenhagen, the 22 of May 1638, it is agreed by these, that all those Covenants and transactions shall be exactly observed and faithfully performed in every particular.

XXVIII.

Moreover, if any thing should have happened in this or the former War, that might breed any enmities or dissidence, betwixt the King and kingdom of Denmark, and the Duke of Holsteyn Gottorp, as well betwixt themselves, as their Ministers, servants, and subjects, all that, as well out of consideration of their mutual consanguinity, and especially of Her Majesty the Queen of sneden, as betwixt the two Royal, and Ducal House of Holsteyn Gottorp, shall from this day, by vertue of this Treaty, be composed and wholly forgot; and on the contrary, a perfect, solid, and perpetual friendship be established betwixt them. His Majesty of Denmark will also when the evacuation is made in Denmark, withdraw his Army and forces out of his Highness Countries, Fortresses, and Cities, and also use his utmost endeavour to perswade the Consederates to evacuate such of his Highness Forts and Towns which they posses, without any delay.

What Kings, Commonwealths, Powers, and Princes foever, shall desire to be comprehended in this Peace, must require it of both Kings. But the Emperour, the King of Poland, and the Elector of Brandenburg, together with their Kingdoms, Electorships, Dutchies, and Provinces are expressly included herein. So that His Majesty

jesty and Kingdom of Sweden, will seek no pretence, under no pretext whatsoever, against the aforementioned Emperour, King of Poland, and Electour of Brandenburg, because of the ayd given by them this War, against the Kingdom of Sweden and its Contederats.

XXX.

The Lord Anthony Gunther Earl of Oldenburg and Delmenhorst, &c. his Successors, Feudals, and Free-holders, together with their Countries, Dynasties, Lands, Goods, Jurisdictions and Appurtenances, shall be included in this Pacification; wherein also fehr Prince of Anhalt, of the Line of Zerves, because of the Dynasty of feveren, and the Lord the Earl Anthony of Oldenburg, Lord in Varel and Kniphamsen, with his Dynasties, Lordships, Goods and Rights, shall be also comprehended.

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It is further agreed, that all the Cities comprehended in the Hanse League, none excepted, are likewise included in this, so that they may enjoy a free and undisturbed Commerce in both Kingdoms, both by Sea and Land: and if any thing have happened in this War, that might offend either party, that also is forgot and buried in eternal Oblivion.

XXXII.

And whereas certain fecret Articles were concluded about the time of the Rosfebild Pacification, which are not reiterated in this, all such shall be of force, as if they were inserted word for word in this Treaty. Moreover, what Writings soever have been published during this War, on either side, tending to the prejudice or scandal of the other, are hereby wholly taken away, and shall be cashiered and prohibited, and be no more divulged or reprinted, within these Kingdoms.

XXXIII.

But that all these things as they are set down, as well in word as in deed, may be observed and suffilled now and for the suture, with all sirmness, sidelity, and sincerity, it is mutually promised that these our Covenants shall be amicably confirmed by both Kings, Prederick the third King of Denmark, and Charles King of Sweden, with the subscriptions of their Hands, and impression of their Seals; and for greater security, they shall be signed and sealed by the Senatours of both Kingdoms.

XXXIV.

It is also concluded and promised, that a Senator and Secretary of both sides, shall about the 24 of Fune next sollowing meet at Elzenew, and bring with them and exchange the Ratissication of this Treaty, confirmed with the Subscriptions and Signatures of both parties. Where also the Swedes shall have with them the Letters of Cession, for the Government of Dronnbeym, and deliver them at the same time to the Danish Commissioners, as a testimony of the force,

force, firmness, and observance of the concluded Peace.

This Treaty being thus Concluded, Subscribed, and Sealed, by the Commissioners of both sides, the Embassadours, Commisfioners, and Plenipotentiary Deputies of the most Christian King of France, of the Commonwealth of England, and of the High and Mighty Lords of the United Provinces, did promise in the Names of their Principals, and oblige themselves by a reciprocal Caution and Garranty, as well general of the three States together, as special of each State apart, as they do hereby tie themselves in the best Form, by a most ample, secure, and mutual Obligation, as Sureties, Cautions, and Avengers of what is transacted, and canle effectually that these covenants be fully carefully & religiously performed, and observed for eyer: And that they will also procure the Batifications of their respective Principals hereupon: So that they have been further entreated by the Commissioners of both Kings (not only as Mediators, but as Sureties, Pledges, and Avengers of these transactions) for greater confirmation, and certain affurance of all, to Subscribe and Sign these Articles and Treaty together with them.

Dated betwixt Coppenhagen and the Camp, the 27 of May, Anna 1660.

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Papers came accidentally to band. Which containing a Summary Accompt of things conducing to the illustration of much of the Political part of the foregoing History, whose Author chiefly intended the Military (being composed by One, who had been publick Minister uponthe place, during the time of the first War, terminated by the Rotschild Treaty, in which He was Mediator; and during most part of the Second, renewed by the Swede upon a pretended inexecution on the Danish part of the said Treaty) I have thought good to subjoyn, as an useful Appendix to it.

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A Report of the State of Affairs betwixt the two Crowns of Sweden and Denmark; made by Sir Philip Meadow, upon his return into England, in December, 1669.

Fter the Peace concluded at Rosschild, in Fibr.
1657. Betwixt the two Crowns of Smeden and Denmark, under the Mediation of England and France, to the seeming good contentment of both the Kings: The one gaining eminent advantages, by the acquisition of a new Territory; The other, avoiding the imminent peril of the loss of his whole Country; I was reman-

dedout of Denmark, by express order from England, and placed with His Majesty of Sweden, with intention to begin a new Mediation, betwixt Him, the King of Poland, and the Elector of Branaenburg, and had powers and creditives requifite for that purpose. In the mean time, new and unexpected jealoufies arose, betwirt Sweden and Denmark, which at last broke forth to an open rupture of the Peace so lately established. The beginning of August 1658: His Majesty of Sweden rendezvouz'd a Body of his Army at Kiel in Holftein, and there embarqu'd them, but kept his Design very fecret. He propounded to me to go along with him, which I refufed, confidering that his Defign must either be upon Denmark or Prusia, in neither of which cases it could be proper for me to accompany Him. Not into Denmark, for there I had been already Mediator, and therefore incongruous for me, to have been the Spectator of a breach of the Peace I had fo lately concluded, without having orders from England fuitable to fuch an emergency. Not into Prufsia, because thither I was designed Mediator, and therefore ought not to make my felt a party, by putting my felf in company of an Enemy. Whereupon I stopp'd in Germany, writing immediately into England, to communicate what had passed, and attending further Orders.

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During these traverses, the old Protector fell fick, and incapable of making reflection upon affairs in those quarters; and sconafter died. But as foon as I had received new Orders and Creditives from England, I embarqued at Travemend and returned for Denmark, in quest of His Majesty of Sweden. The latter end of odeber, 1658. Admiral opdam with the Dutch Fleet confisting of about 38 men of War, and 70 small Merchant-men and Fluyts, upon which were embarqued 3000 Land fouldiers, passed the Sound, and after a sharp encounter with the Swedish Fleet, arrived at Coppenha-Thus was Sweden engaged at the same time in a War with the Emperour, Pole, Brandenburger, Moscovite, Dane, and Hollander. But this powerful arming of our Neighbour-State, awakened us in England to confider, that we also had an interest to preserve in the Baltick Sea, which we had no more reason to believe that the Hollander would do for us at his own charges, than that he would imbarque himself in so expensive a War, without expecting some latisfactory confiderations of return from Denmark. Besides, though we were willing to fee Coppenhagen relieved, yet we were not fure the Hollanders affistance would be bounded there, and could not be willing to fee the King of sweden ruined by the combined force of

so many Enemies.

The States General made it their work and business, absolutely to affift the Dane, and never made any overture of accommodation betwixt the two Kings, nor had as yet any publick Minister upon the place by whom to do it; But England steers in this affair another course, propounds not a direct Assistance, but a Peace. Has no defign to make the King of Sweden Master of Denmark, for on the contrary, the confervation of Denmark is the common Interest both of England and Holland; But the proper Interest of England, was so to make a Peace, as not to suffer the Dane to be ruined by the Swede, nor to suffer the Swede to be ruined by the Hollander; or in the conditions of the Peace, to be subjected to such Laws as he should impose upon him at pleasure; but to preferve Sweden not only as a ballance upon the House of Austria, which is the common interest of England and France, but as the counterpoile upon the Confederate Naval strength of Holland and Denmark, which is the peculiar interest of England. And besides this, England had another interest in this Affair, viz. To enable the King of Sweden so to retire himself out of so unhappy a War, and upon fuch equitable terms and conditions, as might have both capacitated him, and obliged him, to give us some reasonable satisfaction and recompence, in confideration of the great expences we were necessitated to be at, for the securing of his interest, together with our own. And indeed the most visible medium at that time for stopping the progress of a War betwixt Sweden and Holland, and taking up the differences betwixt Sweden and Denmark, was a Fleet from England.

In November 1658. A Fleet of twenty Frigats wasfer out under Vice-

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Vice-Admiral Goodson, who coming to the height of the Scam, found he could not enter the Cataget, for the abundance of Ice, and so was constrained to return without effecting any thing, only that this warlike appearance from England, Ropped the 4000 men and twelve ships of War which were ready in the Texel, designed for the Baltick, under the command of de Ruyter.

During this, I had proposed to both Kings, the Mediation of England, for composing a second time the differences betwixt the two Crowns, which both of them freely accepted. But I could never induce the King of Denmark to treat seperately with the King of Sweden alone, he always infisting upon the comprehension and admission of all his Alliesto the same Treaty, which was directly against

the letter of my Instructions.

In January 1658. A Treaty was made betwixt France and England, for re-establishing a Peace betwixt the two Northern Kings, upon equitable terms. Wherein it was particularly provided, that it upon occasion of the succours sent, or hereaster to be sent from England to the King of Sweden in order to such a Peace, a War should arise with any other Forraign Prince or State, France together with England, should declare such Prince or State their com-

mon Enemy.

The beginning of April 1659. The Fleet under General Mountague arrived in the Sound. My Instructions, were to propound a particular Treaty betwixt the two Crowns, because a general one, in order to an Universal Peace, would have been at that time tedious and impracticable, and the Peace to be established in pursuance of this particular Treaty, was to be underthe conditions and qualifications of the Rot child Treaty, as the most proper Medium for accommoding all differences. Besides, both France and England, esteemed it most honourable, to affert and maintain that Peacewherein they had been joint Mediators. The iffue of my Negotiation was this. The K. of Denmark absolutely refused to treat separately with Sweden, the K. of sweden declares himself willing totrear, but not willing to accept of the Rotschild Treaty, as the terms and conditions of the Peace. Pretending, that this would be tacitly to accuse His last enterprise upon Denmark of injustice, for if the Dane gave the occasion of the War, by entring into new practifes and combinations with his Enemies, after the former Peace made, which he avers they did (though both Kings as is usual in such cases, highly protest the right of their Cause, and the justice of their Armes) then sayes he, I ought to have better fecurity for the future, that the Dane by an innate animosity and desire of revenge, fomented by other States, start not out upon every occasion, to traverse my designs, and work me mischief, when they shall find me intangled in a remote War, as formerly in Poland: especially being contiguous with Sweden, and so most capable of doing me hurt. Besides that, He pretended satisfaction for the loss of Thoren, and a considerable part of Prussia; occasioned by this diversion of his Arms in Denmark; As also, for

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the loss of these opportunities in Germany, during the vacancy of the Empire, which He might have improved by the presence of His Army in those parts, and the affistance of France and his other Allies, either to have turned aside the Succession from the House of Austria his Hereditary Enemy, or to have capitulated advantages for himself with the Emperour that was to be Elected, or at least wife to have prevented the conjunction and confederacy betwixt the now Emperour and the Electour of Brandenburg. Many other diffitulties lay in the way of the Rotfchild Treaty, among ft which it was not the least, that the King had already disposed of to the Officers of his Court and Army, the Lands in schonen and Bleking, which by the Treaty of Rosschild are reserved to their respe-Give Proprietors, viz. the Danish Nobility. However, after many instances and solicitations, together with the advantage of the Report, which was about this time confirmed from all hands, that the Peace betwixt France and Spain was intended in good earnest, which might probably oblige England to retire home their forces for their own security, and slacken any affishance from France, and fo Sweden left alone to contest with so many Enemies. His Majesty began at last to hearken to the Proposition of the Rossehild Treaty, and by a Paper in writing figned by His Commissioners, bearing date the 21 of April, in answer to a former Memorial of mine, exprefly accepted the faid Treaty, but then subjoyned to the words of acceptance, a provisional clause of better security, than what was formerly granted him, by the bare disposition of the Retschild Treaty. Which clause I not being satisfied with, as that which might be interpreted as elusory of the fore-going words, His Majesty soon after declared to me, that as to point of future security, He would acquies in the special Garranty of England and France, which I had power also to offer Him on the part of England.

In pursuance of the Instructions sent upon the Fleet under General Mountagne, and the better to facilitate the work of the Peace. by engaging the States General to act in Confort with England and France. A Treaty was concluded at the Hague the 11 of May, 1659. Betwixt the three States, in order to re-establish a Peace betwixt the two Northern Kings, upon the root and foundation of the Railchild Treaty. Three Weeks time was limited to the Negotiation of the publick Ministers upon the place, after the expiration of which Term, neither England nor the States, were to affift either of the Kings who should refuse the Peace, during his refusal. The King of Sweden, though unbeknown to the States General, had already affented to treat upon the foot and foundation of the Rotfchild Freaty, his fafe Conducts prepared, his Commissioners nominated; I as Mediator, propounded Fredericksburg for the place of the Treaty, which the King also accepted. The Dutch Deputies Extraordinary from the States General to the two Kings, who arrived about this time, made their instances and applications to his Majesty of Denmark (as I had formerly also done) to draw from

him a suitable concurrence to the Rosschild Treaty. But that King still persisted in the same resolution, not to treat separately, but propounded an Universal Treaty, at which the Ministers of his respective Allies and Confederates might be present; and to this end, nominated Lubec for the place of a general Assembly. I urged upon the Dutch Deputies, the sourth Article of the Treaty of the Hague, wherein its covenanted; that no assistance was to be given, to the Prince that should resuse a Peace upon just and reasonable conditions, which reasonable conditions are by the first Article to be expounded the Treaty at Rosschild. Now he who resules to treat (which in this case, according to the sense of the three Estates was to treat separately) resules a Peace upon what conditions soever.

The Deputies were at accord with me, that His Majesty of Denmark continuing in that resolution, their Fleets could no longer assists him, and wrote to General Opdam their Commander in chief, to the same effect; who at that time was with his Fleet in the Belt. He notwithstanding continued still to favour under-hand the Dane, but durst not so vigorously and openly assist him, as otherwise he would, partly by reason of the contrary Advise and Orders which he had received from the Deputies of the States, but more especially, because over-awed by the presence of the English Fleet.

This suspension of Assistance on the part of the Hollander, though the English Fleet remained Neutral and acted nothing, onely obliged the other to the performance of Covenants, gave the Swede some considerable advantages, who upon this opportunity, reduced the Isles of Manen, Falster, and Laland, together with the capital Town of Nathon under his obedience. The truth is, the Dutch Deputies found themselves engaged in some difficulties, for whereas they supposed that the King of Sweden would have been the resuler of the Treaty, and consequently the English Fleet bound up from giving him any Assistance (which was the main thing they aimed at) and the King of Denmark the accepter, and consequently the Dutch Fleet at liberty to assist him, they found the quite contrary, and so had tied up their own hands, by their Treaty made at the Hague.

This was the state of Affairs in the Northern parts, at the time of the Change of the Government here in England, and the Parliaments being restored to their former authority. And this was the true season of ripening things to a conclusion, and if the Negotiation had continued still in the same train and method, that is, if the Parliament had either immediately sent new powers to me, to act according to my former Instructions, viz. the Rosschild Treasy; or forthwith dispatched some other person or persons to pursue the same, it had certainly issued to a Peace. For England, France, Sueden, yea and Holland too, being at accord concerning the Machine of the Peace, it was not possible that the Dane should stand it out long. But no persons appearing from England, and I having no au-

thorities from the Parliament, the Dutch Deputies began to seek evasions. When I urged upon them, that they ought not to assist the resulting King; their only Reply was this, that by the first Article of the Treaty at the Hague, the Ministers upon the place were to use their utmost diligence and endeavour with both the Kings, which, said they, I had done with the King of Smeden, but not with the King of Denmark, which was a meer shift, because they knew I could not at that time go to Coppenhagen, being destitute of Creditives. And now they held themselves no longer obliged by the Treaty at the Hague, but de Ruyter with a new Fleet of torty men of War enters the Belt, joyns with Admiral opdam, passes on to Coppenhagen, all which was expressly against the letter of the said Treaty.

True it is, that about the middle of June 1659, I received a Letter from the Councel of State, directed to my felf; authorizing me to continue my Negotiation with the two Kings as formerly, till further order from the Parliament or Councel of State, but I neither had Creditives nor Commission, nor any thing to exhibit to either of the Kings, whereby to constitute and legitimate me, as

the publick Minister of this Commonwealth.

And now the Negotiation for the Peace was at a long pause, and our Fleet in the mean time at an Anchor in the Sound. Only because His Majesty of Denmark had always insisted upon an Universal Treaty, in reference to a general Peace, His Majesty of Sweden gave me a Declaration in writing, which I sent to the Councel of State Fune the 28, in which he also declared himself willing to

treat a general Peace.

This he did of his own accord, not at my instance, for all my Instructions directed me only to a particular Treaty betwixt the 2 Crowns. His Majesty told me moreover, that in case England and France woulp obtain for him a general Peace, in which said Peace he propounded to himself no more, than that things betwixt Him, the Emperour, and the Electour of Brandenburg, should return to their former estate without any further demands on either side; and for the Pole, he should only give him some equitable recompence for the places he should surrender to him in Pross. He would not only admit the Dane to the Rosschild Treaty, but release something considerable in the said Treaty, in consideration of a general Peace. But in case of a separate Treaty with Denmark, he would remit nothing of the Rosschild Treaty.

The 20. of Fuly 1659. The Commissioners Plenipotentiary arrived in the Sound, which was three months after the Change of the Government here in England, I was put out of the Commission for the Mediation, and had Creditives sent me only as Resident. A little before this, viz. the sourch of the said Moneth, a new Treaty was made at the Hagne, by which the King of Smeden was to restore, not only what he had gained upon the Dane by this last War, but also the Island of Bruntholm, with the Govern-

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ment of Drontbeym in Norway, with all its appurtenances, a Country of near 200 English miles extent, which was formerly granted him by the Rosschild Treaty, and by authentick Acts of State incorporated in the Crown of Sweden: Besides the remission of the 40000 Ryxdollers, which the Dane had formerly promised to pay for satisfaction of damages, done to the Swede in Guinea. The King of Sweden was also to admit the States General to the Treaty made at Elbing, and the Elucidations thereof made at Thoren, and both States, viz. England and Holland, reciprocally oblige themselves, not only not to assist the refuser, but to compel by joynt force of Arms, to an acceptance of the foresaid conditions. And thus the State of Affairs was quite altered, and new obstacles interposed in the way of the Peace. For,

Both Kings were highly diffatisfied with this manner of proceeding. For whereas the first Treaty at the Hague of the eleventh of May, was never propounded to either of the Kings as that which should bind or oblige them, but only made use of by Me as a private Instruction; this was not only publikely propounded, but was to be obtruded by a compulsory force, England and Helland making themselves not Mediators, but Umpires and Arbitrators of the quarrel betwixt the two Kings, which they interpreted to a diminution of their Soveraignty, by erecting a superiority over them. But the King of Smeden was most of all disgusted, because England without any concert or communication had with him, enters into a Treaty with his open Enemies (for so at that time he reputed the States General) to impose upon him by a conjoint force, Laws and Conditions which he judges altogether unreasonable.

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Whereas the King of Sweden had already accepted of the Rosfchild Treaty, conform to the Agreement made at the Hagne of the eleventh of May (though not under the notion and formality of the Treaty at the Hague as obligatory upon him) but as the counsel and advice of England his faithful Allies, and upon the King of Denmark's refusal, had in prosecution of the War gained notable advantages upon him; the King of Sweden expected both to have profited by his acceptance of the Peace, at the instance of England, and by the advantages of the War, he having after the refusal of the King of Denmark, reduced Manen, Falfter, and Laland. Whereas a new Treaty is made at the Hague of the fourth of July, in prejudice of the accepting King, to clog the Peace on his part with new and burdensome conditions, and these to be forcibly imposed upon him, in favour of the Refuser. Besides that, England recoils from their own Agreement; and fayes the King, as they have made a fecond, so they may still make a third, and a fourth Treaty at the Hague.

III.

The tedious and unnecessary delayes which have been used, have been a great obstruction in the way of the Peace. For if the Peace betwixt the two Crowns had been concluded in the spring of the year, the King of Sweden had had time enough to have transported his Army into Pomeren, to have taken the Campagn there, to have prevented the infal of the Imperial Army, and to have provided Winter quarters for his Troops. But the Summer being almost pass'd, before the arrival of the Plenipotentiaries, and the Peace to be begun anew upon another foot, which would necessarily require some longer time. The King of Sweden was to seek what to have done with his Army; to disband them was not reasonable, because though he had made Peace with Denmark, yet he had still War with the Emperour, Pole, and Brandenburger. In Sweden there was no subsistence for them, to transport them into Pomeren, and there take the Field, he could not, for the Imperial Army was much fuperiour to his in strength, and had already seized the principal Pasles of the Country, and was absolutely Master of the Campagne. And to have put them into Garifons, which above two parts in three confisted of Horse, the want of forage had ruined them in few days. So that now the King of Sweden holds close to Denmark; First, as a quarter to his Troops. Secondly, as a place of refuge and fecurity, putting himself upon the Defensive, as it were intrenched within those Islands, not having strength sufficient to appear before his Enemy upon the Terra firma. Thirdly, as a Gage or Pledge for the restitution of what he had lost in Pomeren. And I have reafon to believe that as things now stand, the War betwixt Denmark and Sweden will hardly be accommodated but by a general Peace.

In the mean time, I humbly conceive that England in the management of this business, hath departed from their proper Interest, and that upon these following grounds.

I.

We have wholly dif-obliged the Swede who is Englands counterpoise against the Dane and Hollander, The Hollander is sure that the Dane will alwayes side with him against England, witness the Arrest of our Merchant-men in the Sound, in 1653. We ought to be as sure of the Swede, and though not to affish him in the conquest of Denmark, yet so to have managed the business of a Peace, as to have firmly engaged him in our Interests.

II.

We have lost our reputation; It had been honourable for England to have maintained the Resschild Treaty, in which we were Mediators. But to equip a mighty Fleet of forty of our best men of War, and to keep them out at Sea six Months together, to the amazement of all our Neighbouring States, without effecting any thing,

thing, failing of our End and Defign, is wholly inglorious.

III

We have loft our Expences. The King of Sweden never Suppofed that England would be at all those vast charges, without expecting any return from him, but freely propounded feveral advantages in point of Trade and Commerce by way of recompence, and amongst others, propounded that the Pitch and Tar, and the whole growth and production of Sweden, which is for the apparel and equipage of Shipping, should be fold at a regulated price to English Merchants only, by which means London might have become the Staple of those Commodities. But we on the contrary, have barr'd our selves from accepting any thing of priviledge or advantage, though it be only ratione oneris, upon the accompt of our expences, and so to be considered as a re-imbursement. For by the Agreement of the Hague of the tourth of July, England is to compel the King of Sweden to admit the States General to the Treasy at Elbing. And by the express letter of the Treaty of Elbing, the King of Sweden is obliged to admit the people of the united Netherlands, to the same priviledges and advantages which he either hath, or shall hereafter grant, to any other Forraign Nation whatfoever.

IV

We oblige cour selves, to sorce the King of sweden to admit the States General to the Elbing Treaty, notwithstanding that by that Treaty the sormer Treaties made betwixt Queen Christina, and the States General, one at Stockholm 1640, and the other at Suderacre 1645, are expressly renewed and re-consirmed. Both which are Treaties of mutual Defence, and by vertue of which, in case England become hereafter engaged in a War against Holland, the King of Sweden will be obliged to affist Holland against us, with four thou-sand men at his own charges.

V.

We have lost our Opportunity of making the Peace. England was once in a manner Arbitrator of this whole affair. England propounds the Rosschild Treasy as the Medium of the Peace, Holland though very unwilling, yet is necessitated to affent thereto. For to think that Holland, who was in actual War with Portugal and Smeden, would at the same time break with England, when back'd with France, especially his most consident Ally the Dane, being reduced to that extremity, as to become instead of a help, a charge and burthen, is to suppose that which is Morally and Politically impossible. But as the case now stands, England is the least in this business, all that we pretend to, is to be included in the States Generals Treaty of Elbing, wherein they are Principals, and we but Accessories.

VI.

We play advantages into the hands of the Hollander our Rival State, and that only which stands in the eye and aym of England's greatness. For besides the Treaty of Elbing, which we engage to obtain for him. The Hollander obliges us also to fee Drontheym restored to the Dane. In which the Hollander consults his own utility, for Schonen is the Country, which the King of Denmark would have restored, but the Hollander profits more by Drontheym, when in the King of Denmark's hands, than the King of Denmark himself; both in point of Trade, and in Levies of Men: For, during the late War betwixt England and Holland, the Dutch had feldome less than two or three thousand of those Norwegians in the service of their Fleets. Besides that, the greatest part or the whole of the Revenue of Drontbeym, is oppignorated to the Merchants of Amsterdam for debt. And indeed, the whole Kingdom of Denmark is become so obnoxious, upon the accompt of vast Debts, that it is in a manner at the disposition of Holland.

The States General have steered an even and direct course to their Interest. They have maintained their Ally, they have not only secured Denmark from the power of Sweden, but secured it to themselves; And being secure of Denmark, are now affuring Sneden to themselves also; having already weakened the near Amity and correspondence which was betwixt England and Sweden. Whereas we, after all our Expences, are so far from being sure of the friendship of either of the Kings, that we are sure of the ill-will of both; Of the Dane, for appearing with an armed Fleet in the Interests of Sweden; of the Swede, for no sooner appearing but deferting him. They have also obtained their Treaty at Elbing, which in rigour of justice they could not pretend to, for they themselves formerly refused to ratifie it in due time. And to crown all, they have heightened their reputation, by rendring themselves Masters of their Defign. We on the contrary, have lost our Friend, lost our Expences, lost our Business, lost our Reputation; From whence I conclude, that in the management of this Affair, we in England have departed from Our proper Interest.

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